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FROM OUR READERS

STEADY EDDIE NOT READY?

Gentlemen:

I am an Eddie Machen fan—but I was very disappointed in his showing against Joey Maxim recently and do not think he deserves his No. 2 rating.

Machen, I know, is young, cautious and inexperienced. What he lacks is savagery. Robinson, Louis, Marciano all were great champions because they fought with the killer instinct.

If Machen is taught to throw more combinations, overcome his cautiousness and punch more savagely then Floyd Patterson better watch out. However, until then, Patterson does not have to worry about Machen and probably, for awhile, any present heavyweight.

Keep up the great magazine.

Mark Berenson
Bronx, N. Y.

• **Ed. Note.** While The Ring agrees with much of your letter, Machen still retains his high rating when compared to those listed under him.

TELLING IT FOR SWEENEY

Dear Sirs:

Though a follower of boxing for many years and a reader of The Ring for the last thirty, the biggest kick I got out of the game didn't come until the other evening at the Rex Arena, in Lowell, Mass. My boss and I decided to go to the fights that night, got our tickets early but only I arrived at the Arena. He was called back to the job because something cropped up.

In the main event Billy Ryan, the young Lowell light heavyweight, was to meet Joe Green. Just before the fight started everyone in the Arena jumped up and started cheering as down the aisle sauntered none other than Rocky Marciano. Seeing the seat next to me vacant, he asked if it was taken. Quickly I said "no" before he could change his mind and walk on. It was swell meeting and talking to Rocky who is a wonderful fellow.

When I later told my boss who had taken his seat he though I must have been pretty close to the ring and got hit by one of Billy Ryan's punches (Ryan scored a one round kayo) and didn't believe me.

So please print this letter and maybe that will convince him. Thanks.

H. J. Sweeney
Lowell, Mass.

• **Ed. Note.** Dear Boss: Are you convinced?

GREAT SCOT

Dear Sirs:

Although I have been a reader of your magazine for seven years (since I was 13) this is the first opportunity I have taken of writing to you.

I would like to say that we—and I am sure I speak for all British boxing fans—greatly appreciate your magazine. It is unrivalled in scope and the standard of reporting in it is high indeed.

It is pleasant to notice that even such a magazine as The Ring is not content to rest on its laurels and I feel that I must congratulate you on the new and wonderfully improved quality of the "Bible of Boxing".

If it is possible, the coverage of fights has improved and, in particular, your report on the second Joe Brown-Wallace (Bud) Smith was splendid. I might be a perfectionist but I liked the way the photos were grouped on one page and, opposite, I could read—*on one whole page*—the report. This is the neat way in which I am sure most of your readers like to read the reports of big fights. Of course this is, I admit, not always possible but I would like to thank you again for it.

I obtained—at quite an expense!—a copy of the Feb. Ring for 1940 and I was amazed to see the number of photos of boxers which graced its pages. Recently the February issues have not given nearly so many photos of the boxers who made news during the year under review and I must say that I am disappointed in this. I feel that, in addition to the fight photos, there should be several poses of boxers in the February issue which is, after all, the highlight issue of the year.

Second I would like to see the European section enlarged a little. It is too small. Perhaps it is difficult to do so, but a few photos of recent fights there could be included.

I hope that you don't think that I wrote this letter only to complain. On the contrary I hope that it will improve "The Ring" by showing what your Scottish readers think. I should like to point out that if we didn't receive wonderful value for our money we Scots would certainly not buy it.

Might I wish you and your magnificent staff every success in the future.

Yours faithfully,
Donald C. McLarty
Stornoway,
Isle of Lewis,
Scotland

• **Ed. Note.** Thank you for your letter. We are always eager to hear from our readers and any thoughts they may have on making it a more enjoyable magazine for them.

HOLD THAT TIGER

Gentlemen:

Will Ray Robinson keep his promise? Tiger Jones is still waiting for Robinson's promise for a return match. Robinson stated publicly after his Olson win that he wanted to fight Jones again, but Robinson avoids definite commitment on this top match.

Tiger Jones is ready to box Robinson for the world's middleweight championship and is entitled to this opportunity on his record and win over Robinson.

Bob Melnick
Manager of Tiger Jones
New York, N. Y.

• **Ed. Note.** We refer the matter to Mr. Robinson.

OUR ATTENTION DISTRACTED

Dear Sirs:

Our sincere congratulations to your ever interesting magazine.

We distract your attention in order to inform you that as of May 20 of this present year, we began in Tijuana a series of prize fight presentations, featuring on the first one Lauro Salas vs. Noel Humphreys. We are trying to get "Pajarito" Moreno to fight the winner of this bout at the earliest date possible.

Since early this year we started the construction of a sports arena which will seat 8,000 people and we proudly boast its unique visibility features. We hope to inagurate said arena the first of July.

Until that time we shall present the coming fights in the Tijuana bull ring.

We would appreciate very much your mentioning of our address in your magazine so promoters and managers may contact us.

Thanking you for the attention given to our letter, we wish to remain your always faithful readers.

Ramon Alonso Golzales
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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

The tricks of the trade are often the difference between winning and losing a fight and some fighters have this edge figured down to a science. Read Jersey Jones' interesting story on the "angle men" who look for the advantage in the ring and are often successful in grabbing the edge though it may be against the rules.

Whither does the world of boxing go now that Judge Ryan has made his ruling in the I. B. C. anti-trust suit? Its a big question for the sport and may turn everything topsy-turvy. This most important of rulings will be fully covered in the September issue.

As we go to press, two world championship bouts are being decided, the lightweight encounter between Joe Brown and Orlando Zulueta, and the featherweight final between Cherif Hamia and Hogan (Kid) Bassey. These two fights, in photo and story, are graphically presented in our next issue, a ringside seat to boxing history.

Also in the September issue are stories on new faces who are making headway in the game, reports in picture and story from all over the world, a tour of ring doings in our service camps, the latest in TV and boxing, and a run-down on the wrestling whirl.

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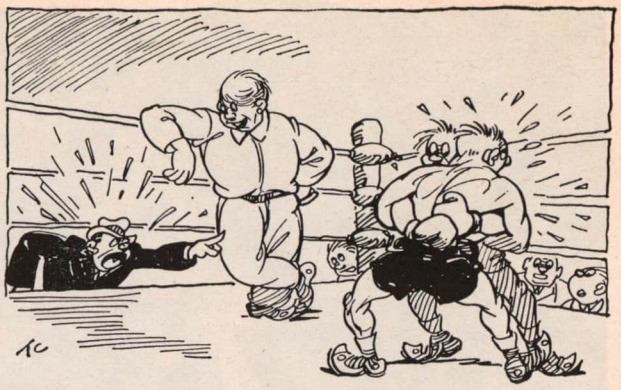
A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

By BOB ALLEN



FOR many years Federal Government involvement in sports rarely went beyond the presidential tossing of the first ball to start each baseball season. Now all is changed. Washington, D. C. is the source of almost as much sports news as it is of matters of international import. Boxing, baseball, basketball, football, and hockey have become items of great governmental significance.

There was a day when sports enthusiasts became excited about such figures as Jack Dempsey, Babe Ruth, Red Grange, about Joe Louis, Joe DiMaggio, Ben Hogan, about Rocky Marciano, George Mikan and Sam Snead. The great figures of the recent past are not being replaced with equally great figures of the present and one of the major reasons may well be the fact that sports editors cannot give enough time or enough space for feature stories about these athletes. They are forced to devote too much time and too much space to such things as exclusive contracts, reserve clauses, draft clauses, divestiture, anti-trust, lower court procedure, higher court appeals, etc. It is becoming a requisite of a good sports writer today that he must have a solid grounding in law.

Our own theory is that the Government evidently thinks sports will get better by decrees.

The passing of Jake Mintz recalled a story that measured the man. In the declining years of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club, Jake promised Sol Strauss (who was acting for the ailing Mike Jacobs) that Ezzard Charles would box for that organization. Jake, dead broke at the time, was offered $25,000 for Charles to box for the old Tournament of Champions boxing group. *"I gave my word to Strauss,"* said Jake —and Charles boxed for the Twentieth Century Sporting Club. Boxing will miss Jake Mintz.

The Legislature of the State of Maine should be commended for its magnanimous gesture in clearing the record of Rocky Marciano. You will recall that not long before he won the heavyweight title, Rocky was handed a suspension by the Maine boxing commission for misrepresenting the identity of a sparring partner against whom he boxed on a Maine exhibition tour. The State solons have now erased that suspension from the legislative record. In case any future historians of the Marciano career happen across the Maine incident, it is now official that it was two other guys who were involved.

We saw an item which said that Nino Valdes, Cuban heavyweight, has a reach of 80 inches, longest in boxing. *"Ah,"* wrote Robert Browning, *"but a man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for?"* Nino has been grasping for a title chance but not even an 80-inch arm-spread has enabled him to come within reaching distance.

A newspaper in Florida carried this letter from a reader: *"Please settle a difference of opinion for me. A friend argues that 'old retired boxers receive a pension of $10,000 a year from Jim Norris' IBC.' I say this isn't so. I'll be watching your column next week for an answer."*

We watched for the answer too and frankly we were disappointed to note that the only reply the editor could give was a reference to the compulsory New York State boxers' insurance mentioned in Nat Fleischer's Ring Record book. To us this was no answer at all. What the editor should have said was that old retired boxers do get a pension of $10,000 a year but that it comes from the same fund which gives $10,000 a year pensions to old retired Florida sports editors.

We've listened to many a discussion through the years on the question of whether there is such a punch in boxing science as a right hook. The late Dan Morgan used to spend hours arguing the point that there *"ain't no such thing,"* unless, of course, you're talking about southpaws. What most boxing people mean when they say right hook, said Morgan, was really right cross.

Morgan may have been right, too, but the other day we ran across a fight result which listed Billy Ryan, Lowell, Mass., light-heavyweight, as having knocked out Jimmy Bills, of Chicago, with a right hook to the jaw. Well, was it a right hook or a right cross? For a moment we thought of asking Mr. Bills but then we noted that the time of the kayo was 0:49 of the first round and decided it was probably injudicious to ask Mr. Bills anything concerning that particular contest.

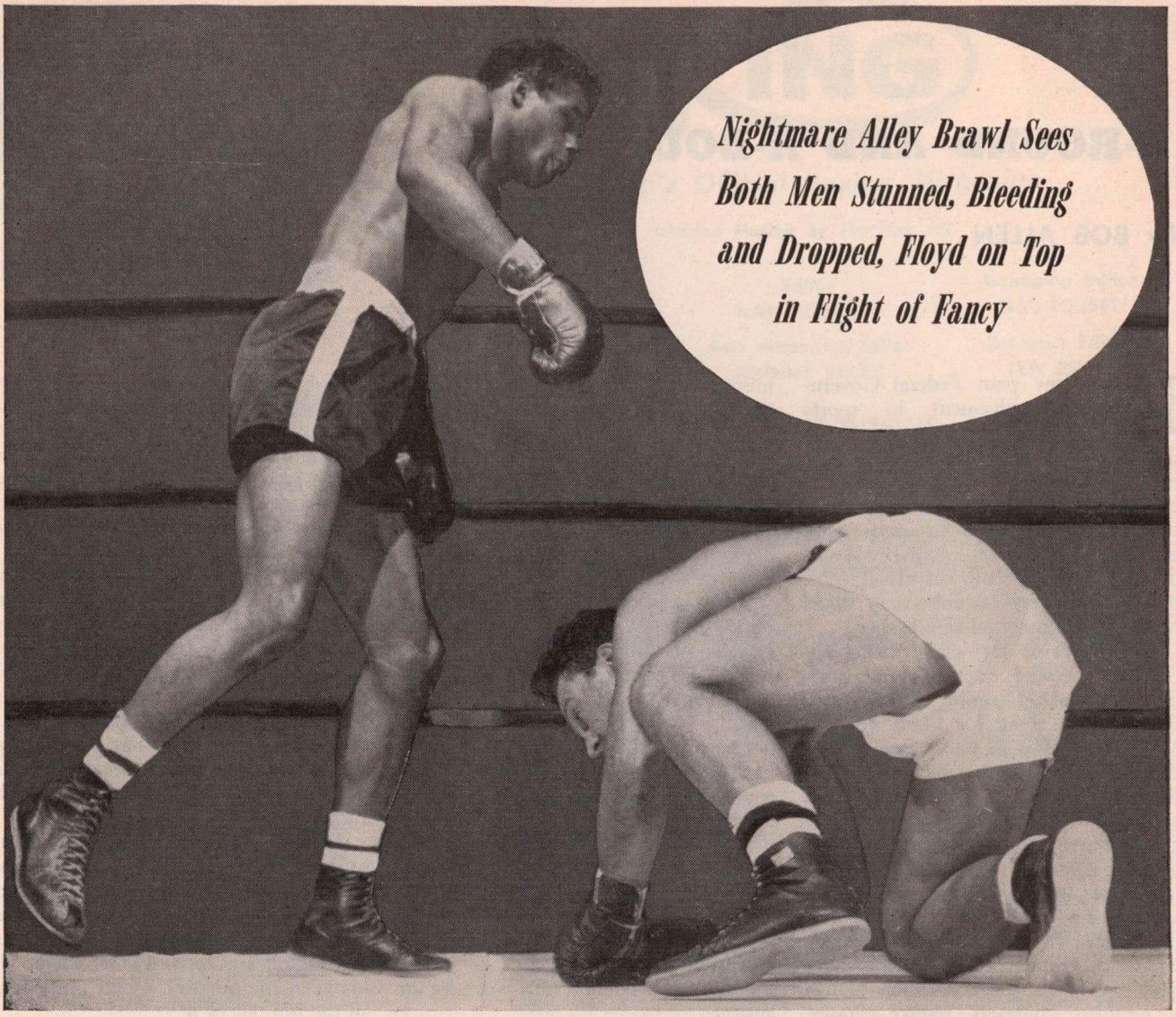
Boxing lessons are now available in today's supermarkets. A grocery chain with 29 supermarkets in the Midwest recently hired Joe Louis to demonstrate boxing fundamentals in rings set up in the market parking lots. The lessons also included lectures by Louis on right living and good eating. The good eating was presumably limited to the foods purchased at the grocery chain which employed the former champion.

Another Thailand boxing program, issued to customers at a show in Rajadamnoen Stadium in Bangkok, has come to our attention. It contains this admonition to the boxers: *"Biting, hair drawing off and spitting shall not be allowed in the progress."* This must take all the fun out of it.

Making his professional debut recently, Jo-Jo Basilio, brother of the world welterweight champion, flattened his opponent, Johnny Vasquez, of Detroit, in 0:38 seconds of the first round. The story we read about this fight said young Basilio *"looked good"* in his first professional start. Good? A 38-second kayo merely good? How much faster would Jo-Jo have had to score this kayo to be slightly sensational?

Some referees persist in telling boxers during their pre-fight instructions: *"In the event of a knockdown you must take a mandatory eight-count."* This leads us to believe these referees (1) think it is mandatory that they say mandatory; (2) like the sound of the word; (3) do not know what it means; (4) know what mandatory means but not redundance.

In commenting last month on a Houston bout between Roy Harris and Joey Rowan we neglected to mention a post-fight headline in a Texas paper. *"Mighty Harris Pounds Yankee Rowan!"* it said. Yankee Rowan? Still fightin' the Civil War down thar in Texas.



In the eerie eye of the dream bout, Rocky Marciano makes a comeback and after a bloody encounter is stopped by Floyd Patterson. If you use your imagination, you can see Marciano dropped in the seventh round by Patterson.

PATTERSON KAYOES MARCIANO

By JOHNNY SALAK

IN their wildest dreams no one ever imagined the fight would come off. But it did, in my wildest dreams. It was Floyd Patterson vs. Rocky Marciano for the world heavyweight championship in a nightmare alley brawl that saw both men stunned, bleeding and dropped before Patterson finally put over the crusher in the seventh round for a knockout. Sort of, rocked him to dreamland, you might say.

So swallow your sleeping tablet and come along with us to never-never land where fact and fancy are befuddled and forty winks will leave you entirely frustrated. In the mind's eye Marciano, who went through his entire professional career undefeated and retired as heavyweight champion of the world, finally was beaten. Some persons might feel that this took place, rather, in the pig's optic.

This all came about, disregarding what the late supper consisted of, after Patterson who had won the title by doing a thorough job on Ancient Archie Moore, went on to subdue Hurricane Tommy Jackson (as the man said, "such stuff as dreams are made of") and, as his brain trust promised he would, met all the leading challengers. Down, down, down they went. Down the list they went and down went the challengers to the time when Pal Joey Maxim who owns a delicatessen—pardon—a decision over Patterson, was the most illogical logical contender. It was a good fight until Maxim happened to look down and, noticing his bulging waistline, reminded himself it was time to re-tire.

So some publicity man, who was smoking a pipe, decided that the greatest fight of the century would be this Patterson panther and The Rock of Ages ago. Furiously puffing away, his first words were, "No, I'm not pipe-dreaming (puff puff). Why didn't I think of this before (puff puff). It'll do ten million (puff puff puff)."

Naturally, Marciano agreed and the fight was arranged to take place, not in Dreamland Arena (caught you napping), but on the night of the full moon in an open air television studio, which was filled to capacity, all seats taken

—and moved out so the ring could be set up. It wasn't a very large studio.

The bell clanged for the first round but as neither man was as yet in the ring the television sponsors (who were promoting the fight on their own) decided it was best if they started the bout all over again. This they did (the bell clanged for the first round) and the fighters moved to the center of the ring, Marciano in a half crouch, Patterson poker-faced and lithe as a ballet dancer. Marciano swung wildly, both arms threshing away as Floyd nimbly but swiftly back-pedalled.

Patterson threw his left at Rocky (luckily it was connected to his shoulder) and Marciano blinked, snorted and came on again with a rush. He pumelled the champion who covered up while on the ropes. A hooking right caught Patterson on the side of the face and he stopped dead still, his eyes blank, for what seemed an eternity. Marciano kept swinging away, looking for the big one but missed repeatedly until Patterson fell in close and tied him up. (Floyd was using the ropes to good advantage.) Referee Wyatt Earp (Wyatt Earp? Dream on, boy) ordered the fighters to break clean and they both stepped back.

Lunging forward, Patterson got home a left which did little damage, but infuriated Marciano who beat his arms wildly at the thin air (and in the distance a coyote howled at the full moon).

Again Patterson's left found the mark and he drove a hard right under the heart but caught a fusillade of punches to the body which made him wilt and wonder who dreamed this nightmare up. The bell sounded, beautiful to him.

In the second round again Marciano pressed forward but this time Patterson wasn't making the mistake of being caught within the range of the Brockton boy's blockbusters. It was quite evident that Floyd didn't want his block busted. Content to peck away, recoup and regroup, Patterson plainly carried the round (he lifts bar bells, too) with Marciano attempting to force the issue with aimless and futile rushes. It was a drab and dreary drowsy round. If the fight went the full thirteen rounds (sue me, it's a dream fight) Patterson would retain his title but everyone would wake up screaming.

The third started off tamely, with Marciano seeming to wait in an attempt to solve the quick-flitting, cover-up tactics of his opponent. Which led Patterson to come out of

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his cautious shell and move closer to his target, popping his left to Rocky's inviting head. Falling inside the range of Marciano's heavy, though inaccurate artillery, Patterson drove a stunning right uppercut to the jaw, which staggered Marciano, and followed with a left to the face which caught the ex-champion squarely on the nose. A cut was opened in the identical spot which Marciano was injured against Ezzard Charles and blood cascaded forth. With blind range and fury, Rocky flailed and failed, Patterson in no danger, though taking a few glancing blows. With the advantage swung his way, Patterson poured on the heat, punching with accuracy and authority, Marciano stunned with both the blows and the speed of their delivery. A hard right ripped the left eyebrow of Rocky and a steady trickle of blood poured down the side of his face, some of it getting at his eye and hampering him. Another chopping right, steaming in a distance of eighteen inches, upended Marciano and he fell backwards on the seat of his

Rocky Marciano was badly cut (above) in several of his bouts and in the make-believe slumber-slaughter Floyd Patterson cuts him up before stopping him.

trunks, which were packed, Marciano weighing the heaviest of his career. As Patterson moved to a corner, Rocky groped on all fours and made it up at the count of five. Referee Ruby Goldstein (oh yes, by now Wyatt Earp was sitting at ringside studying the law west of the Pecos) wiped off his gloves, looking intently into Marciano's face and spoke to him.

Patterson came in for the kill but, overanxious, he missed several times with Marciano also swinging wildly, the referee doing his darndest to part them, as the bell ending the round had sounded a full half minute before.

In Marciano's corner, his handler's worked feverishly over him to stem the flow of blood and make him presentable for the cameras in the next round. The commission doctor vaulted into the ring and, after examining Marciano, agreed with everyone that Rocky had been cut. Patterson, unmarked, but breathing heavily, listened and nodded to his manager who was telling him how to finish off Marciano. At the same time in his mind he was planning his attack against Rocky in the next round. He obediently still nodded his head at Gus D'Amato.

For the fifth round Marciano came out looking like he had been in a fight, which he had been. Neat patches outlined the target areas for Patterson. But this, as we shall see, was merely a clever ruse. Certainly Patterson went all out for the inviting targets and even ripped off the patches and started the flow of blood again. But by this time, in a counter move, Marciano was bombing away to an unprotected body and, before anyone could say Fanis Tzanetopoulos, Patterson was doubling up and backing up like an overused rest room. In the neatest movements of the night, the Marciano strategy worked to perfection and one of his wide-arced, roundhouse rights got behind the left ear of Patterson, who was backing into the punch. As it later

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The I.B.C. "In Truth and Consequences"

Out of the Tangle of "Monopoly" Charges Against the I.B.C. Arises the Possibility of James D. Norris Leaving Boxing Empire to Heir Apparent Truman Gibson

By DAN DANIEL

JIM NORRIS, president of the International Boxing Club, which dominates the sport the world over, and because of that position has been hauled into the Federal courts, is not likely to continue his close association with the ring game for very much longer.

As Norris and the rest of the boxing world awaited the decision of Federal Judge Ryan, Jim said that he might quit boxing. But he would not let anybody run him out.

There is no reason why Norris should let anybody force him to quit boxing. But the fact remains that his interest has been waning. Boxing and its problems no longer intrigue Norris. They no longer offer a challenge.

Now and then there is a heavyweight championship fight to be promoted. But, in the main, the television patterns of boxing as it is operated by the IBC are more or less routine. There are TV commitments for Wednesday and Friday night. Occasionally, richer fare offers.

The Wednesday show, appropriately enough, is sponsored by Alka-Seltzer, headache cure. The Friday contract is with Gillette. The Pabst people were in the picture for a long time, but eventually beer sales fell off despite TV promotion, so the Milwaukee concern dropped out of its contract with IBC.

Maybe, too, Pabst wanted better fights than the IBC found it possible to put on for it.

NORRIS' INTEREST HAS WANED IN BOXING, MOVED TO RACING

Norris's limousine, with chauffeur, continues to draw up in front of the Garden's 50th Street entrance and Norris continues to make periodical visits to his New York offices.

But these visits are not as frequent as they used to be. The reason is that Jim's interest has waned, he has begun to feel like a man harassed for no good reason, a man ill used because of his acument and initiative. Harried because of an outstanding position into which he was elevated not only by his own abilities, but the irresponsibility and mental alertness deficiencies of rival promoters.

Norris has become increasingly interested in race horses. He has quite a stable, and he likes the social as well as the highly competitive atmosphere of the tracks.

Right now the most absorbing thing in Norris's life is not boxing, it is not the approaching Patterson-Jackson fight, promotion of which he has turned over to Emil Lence, dress manufacturer. It is the building of a breeding farm for his horses near Miami.

Little by little Norris has moved out of the ring orbit into the social and horsey set.

Continual investigation by the Federal authorities has tended to demean him as a public figure, and embarrass him.

And then there is Truman K. Gibson, Jr., the Chicago lawyer who, as Norris has receded from the IBC leadership, has moved closer and closer to the No. 1 spot in that organization.

Truman Gibson Jr., Chicago lawyer, who has become a big power in the International Boxing Club organization and may succeed Norris should he decide to leave boxing.

EVIDENCE POINTS TO GIBSON AS NEXT CHIEF OF IBC

Norris has kept delegating to Gibson chores which Jim himself used to be interested in. Gibson has accepted these jobs because he loves to be involved in big doings, and because the work is not without its financial returns.

The evidence points to Gibson's taking over the leadership of IBC, either officially or behind the retiring Norris.

As a lawyer, with well known craft and acumen, Gibson is better equipped than Norris for coping with boxing problems, which have become largely legalistic.

It used to be that the IBC chief, or the 20th Century head, or the Tex Rickard organization leader, concerned himself with big matches, with maneuvering fighters.

But now the head of IBC has to concern himself largely with the courts, the FBI, the judges and, in a lesser way, with the boxing public.

Who is this man Gibson? He was attorney for Joe Louis when Norris decided to set up the IBC. Gibson induced Norris to organize that group. He arranged a package deal which placed Louis and Gibson on the IBC payroll.

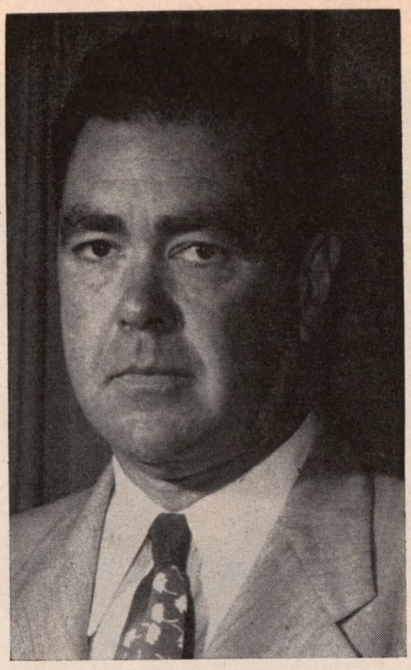
Norris gave Gibson an office in the Chicago Stadium, and began to dump problem after problem, and delegate steady chore after chore, to the secretary of the IBC.

Match maker behind match makers, trouble shooter par excellence, manager of the two weekly television shows,

tax expert, a man familiar with the Washington climate, Gibson has been of tremendous service to Norris and his organization.

Not without high importance in the changing picture is Harry Markson, who has been Jim's aide in the New York offices.

Markson is a suave, cultured gentleman who knows boxing, New York, the newspapers and those who write for them, and the relations of boxing and the public. Norris or Gibson, Harry is ultra-important.



James D. Norris head of the IBC, a millionaire in many fields, whose main love in sports lay with horse racing. Should he decide to leave boxing it would be of his own volition since he is not the type of man to be coerced in any form.

Harry Markson, scholarly managing director of the New York IBC, whose knowledge of the functioning of the organization and friendships with the press makes him one of Norris' important executives.

GIBSON HAS HAD EXPERIENCE IN WASHINGTON'S VARIABLE CLIMATE

Gibson is 46 years old, a native of Atlanta, son of an insurance executive. He went to the University of Chicago for a couple of degrees before he finished his law course in 1935.

Gibson became interested in Chicago politics, and in 1940 was called to Washington as Assistant Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War.

In 1946, Truman K. became a member of the President's Advisory Committee on Universal Military Training. Later he joined the President's advisory group on morals, religious training and character in the armed forces.

Gibson brought into his connection with the IBC important contacts with fighters. He brought skills as a negotiator. He brought, too, the ability to see deep into a problem and devise quiet remedies. He rarely raises his voice to a shout, he rarely gets angry.

Gibson may look and sound, at times, like a church deacon. But he is no babe in the woods. He is crafty, he knows the angles.

One thing he would give to the IBC, which it now lacks, is service 24 hours a day, seven days a week. He is not afraid of work. He has no interests other than his absorbtion with the IBC which would require huge chunks of his time.

Since boxing has become a business requiring close application, Gibson's contributions would be of vast importance.

Now let us take a look at the IBC, Federal courts and their views notwithstanding.

As we have said, Norris and his IBC became paramount because his rival promoters lacked financial responsibility. Some of them lacked basic integrity, too.

These rivals could not go on in a game which required a lot of money to promote, and which had passed from small business to Big Operation through television.

If the small clubs were engulfed, it was chiefly because they had become antiques, anachronisms in a world of television and its big revenues.

The engulfment of these cradles of boxing may be likened to the gradual crumbling of the minor leagues in baseball. The engulfment came not so much because Norris set out to kill them but because they could not live in a changed world.

Norris says that he appreciates the value of the small clubs and that he has been subsidizing some of them to the tune of nearly $1,000 a month.

Let it not be imagined that Norris and the IBC have been without blame, either actively, or through development of factors external.

Norris became involved in the dictation of the careers of too many fighters. Having no real rivals in the promotion field, Jim did not need this extension of power over the individual scrapper. But power is intriguing.

There is, in the boxing situation, very much in the background, a character named Frankie Carbo. Boxing would be better off without him. He is an old muscle man with a bad record.

Norris has suffered from reputed association with Carbo. Jim says he found Carbo in boxing when he came into it. He says he has seen Carbo. He denies that he ever let Carbo dictate a match, that he ever consciously did Carbo a favor.

This doubtless is the truth. But the man in the street believes that Norris has favored Carbo and his fighters. This is one of the reasons for Jim's gradual move out of the boxing limelight.

Little by little, the IBC and Norris have taken over to the point at which they represent a monopoly. The courts say so.

There are good monopolies, there are reprehensible ones. It is likely that without the IBC position, the sport would have cracked up.

However, here we have a Patterson-Jackson fight on the tapis, and one Lence has acquired the promotion rights from Norris.

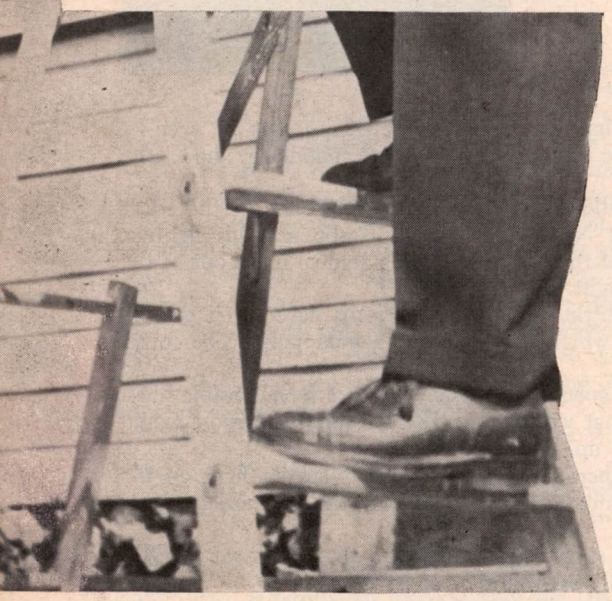
Who is Lence? Investigation into the answer to this question doubtless would be most interesting.

However, Lence is not the man to look to for succession to Norris. Watch Truman K. Gibson, Jr.

By MURRAY GOODMAN

One of Boxing's Most Controversial Figures, Sugar Ray Robinson has Adopted a New Role, That of Humility. Known by Promoters, Scribes and the Public as a Proud, Arrogant Man, He Now Faces All as The New Robinson, a God Fearing, Down to Earth Personality Which Added to His Charm Makes Him a Most Likeable Person

THE *New* ROBINSON?



RAY ROBINSON lay on his bed in his small room at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago. It was some ten days before his fight with Gene Fullmer in the Chicago Stadium.

Ray wore silk pajamas and had a red and black bandana wound around his head.

"To keep the draft out," he explained.

The phone rang constantly and Ray was always in. Most of the calls came from newspapermen. We watched in amazement. Not too long ago, Robinson was never in. To see him or even talk to him on the phone required almost a presidential decree. Robinson had never been this available, this congenial, this humble.

The phone rang again and Robinson asked us to excuse him.

"It's my mother," he said simply.

We went into the adjoining room, George Gainford, Robinson's adviser, two local newspapermen, and myself.

"Do you know?" asked Gainford, *"That Robinson talks to his mother for at least an hour every day. She is his spiritual guidance. She reads to him from the scripture and he just sits there and listens. Take my word for it, this is no act with Robinson. He is deeply religious and that partly accounts for the change in him. He was always religious*

but much more so in recent years. We all learn as we get older and Robinson has learned."

The result of Robinson's May 1st fight with Fullmer is now part of history. This is not the story of that fight, in which Ray won the middleweight championship of the world for a record fourth time. This is the story of Ray Robinson—the new Ray Robinson. I, once a decided skeptic where Robinson was concerned, am inclined to believe it. Perhaps I am naive or have been the victim of the greatest sales job ever done. But I am fairly well convinced there is a new Robinson. I must admit that I will not be surprised at any turn of events.

In the years that I knew him, dating back to 1948 when I was with the Tournament of Champions, I would not have called myself a Robinson admirer.

"I'VE MADE MISTAKES," SAYS ROBBY

It all started when I was asked to handle Robinson's publicity for the second Fullmer fight. Reluctantly, I agreed, with the stipulation that I would first have to be acceptable to Robinson. In all my years of boxing, I had never worked with Robinson, always seemingly against him. My past performance chart with Robinson was not favorable. I doubted that he would accept me as the man to glorify him.

"That's great", was his astounding reply when I cornered him. *"That's wonderful. We'll get along fine."*

Perhaps I began weakening right there.

Yet, I reported to Greenwood Lake, N. Y., with a variety of fears.

Robinson lived at his own *"Cabin in the Sky."* He did his gym work and boxing at nearby Long Pond Inn. At both these spots, I got close to Robinson. I listened to him and I talked to him. I began to understand him for the first time.

"I don't ever want to knock an opponent or make predictions on a fight," he said. *"If God is with me, I hope to win. That is all I can ever say. Please don't say anything else because it will hurt me if you do.*

"You know, when you're a public figure, you take a lot of punishment for things you never did or said. Athletes get temperamental before a fight because they are trained fine and get edgy. If you don't draw a line somewhere, it upsets your balance. But if you don't want to see somebody just before a fight, you become a prima donna. If you don't say controversial things, they say you don't want to talk.

"I've made mistakes, many of them. But I try to do the right thing and hope that I can always do it. What may be right with me, may be wrong to others. I want to be nice to people. I want people to like me. Who doesn't? But I can't be everywhere at the same time. I'm a human being, just like anyone else. I have a right to some privacy and a right to my own opinion. I'm a businessman and boxing is my business. I have that right to drive the best bargain for myself as any other businessman.

"I have been crucified in the press for many things I have done. That is their right. I hold no ill feeling for that although a good deal of it was unjust. Right now, I want to finish my boxing career in victory, God willing, and continue to live happily with my family."

RAY DOES MANY NICE THINGS

That is part of the philosophy of the new Robinson. In the five weeks I spent with him, I have never found a man more considerate of the people around him. He never turned down any request made for pictures or interviews and I must concede some were unreasonable on my part. In training, he did as he was told, contrary to the belief that Robinson did as he pleased. One day he wanted to box four rounds.

"Three is enough," declared Gainford.

Three it was.

He likes to talk but not about himself. He would ask a million questions about the welfare of people in our business. If his sincerity was feigned, then this was the greatest actor of all time. There are those who think he is.

He has been accused of carrying a lot of people around with him, mostly for laughs. That is not true. Every member of the Robinson entourage has a specific duty, even old Soldier Jones, who has been with Robinson from his amateur days. Jones is now old and arthritic but Robinson has kept him on the payroll all the time. He won't tell you about it but others will.

"Robinson does many nice things," said Harry Wiley, his trainer. *"Jones' job is to rub his legs after the workout It's not much of a job but that's how Robinson keeps his old friend working. Robinson has done more nice things than bad things but he doesn't tell anybody about them."*

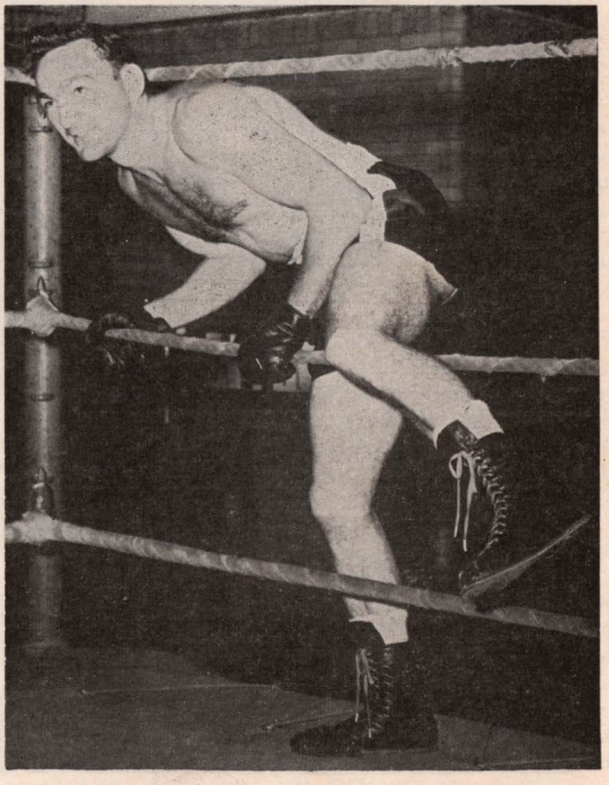
He likes kids and will spend much time with them. Take for instance Jimmy Richardson's boy, Jimmy, Jr. Richardson is a friend and neighbor of Robinson. Jimmy, Jr., worshipped Robinson and wanted to be a fighter like him. He is 14 now and has been training constantly since he was 11. Robinson has been his chief teacher.

"I'll make a deal with you, Jimmy," he said. *"I'll teach you how to box on one condition. You must agree, before you become a fighter, to finish your education."*

That is more of Robinson's supposed current thinking.

I like the new Robinson. I admire him. Maybe I've been sold the proverbial gold brick but if I've been had, it's been done by the greatest.

It is our humble opinion that Ray Robinson may have finally discovered humility even if of the "proud" variety.



A middleweight championship bout with welterweight king Carmen Basilio would have meant one of the biggest grosses in years. But Robby, haggling over movie revenue from a prior fight, has apparently turned thumbs down on such an attractive match.

Patterson Figures To Repeat Over Jackson To Retain His Title

By NAT LOUBET

FLOYD PATTERSON's first defense of his heavyweight title will be against Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson on July 29 at the Polo Grounds in New York.

A television and radio angel, more commonly known as a sponsor, has been found to back the enterprise being promoted by Emil Lence, former Eastern Parkway Arena promoter, and Brooklyn dress manufacturer.

General Motors will foot the T and R bill to the amount of $175,000. NBC will carry the fight from coast to coast with a 75 mile blackout area around Manhattan.

The entire pot will be divided on the basis of 40% to the champion and 20% to the challenger.

With a $30 top, the gate plus radio, TV and movies, is estimated to climb in the vicinity of half a million dollars. Not particularly awe-inspiring as heavyweight gates go, it nevertheless does represent, in these times, a satisfactory basis on which to promote a contest.

While the IBC fought for its existence in Federal Court, charged with monopoly, Lence signed contracts calling for him to promote a return match.

The history of boxing shows that the promoter who controls the heavyweight champion is well on his way to being a big time figure in boxing.

The last upheaval took place back in 1937 when a shrewd ticket manipulator by the name of Mike Jacobs took Madison Square Garden promotions away from the astute James J. Johnston. The manipulations of this procedure are fully covered by Al Buck elsewhere in this issue.

The fact remains that a new cartel may be in the forming with this July 29 embroglio for the heavyweight title owned by Patterson.

HURRICANE SAYS HE WANTS TO MAKE WORLD HAPPY

Jackson, otherwise known as the "Animal", managed by Lippe Breidbart, stated at a press conference: *"I'd like to fight this fight for nothing, just to make the world happy."* He also foamed forth with: *"There'll be blood all over the place in the first round."*

Recalling the time he faced Patterson on June 8, 1956 in which he lost a split 12 round decision, it would seem that money, not fun, would be the motivating force behind his desire to face the champion, a 4 to 1 favorite.

The results of that contest put Patterson in line for a crack at Archie Moore's title, which fight took place in Chicago on November 30 of the same year. Moore was knocked out in five and Patterson became king of the beak busters.

Prior to Floyd's glamorous kayo of Moore, his performance against Jackson did little to convince ringsiders that he could punch hard enough to lay away the aging Moore. But he did just that.

Speculation among the experts before the Patterson-Jackson bout had "Hurricane" figured as a "spoiler," the inexhaustable "Animal", who plodded into fire, tirelessly, spiritedly but without skill.

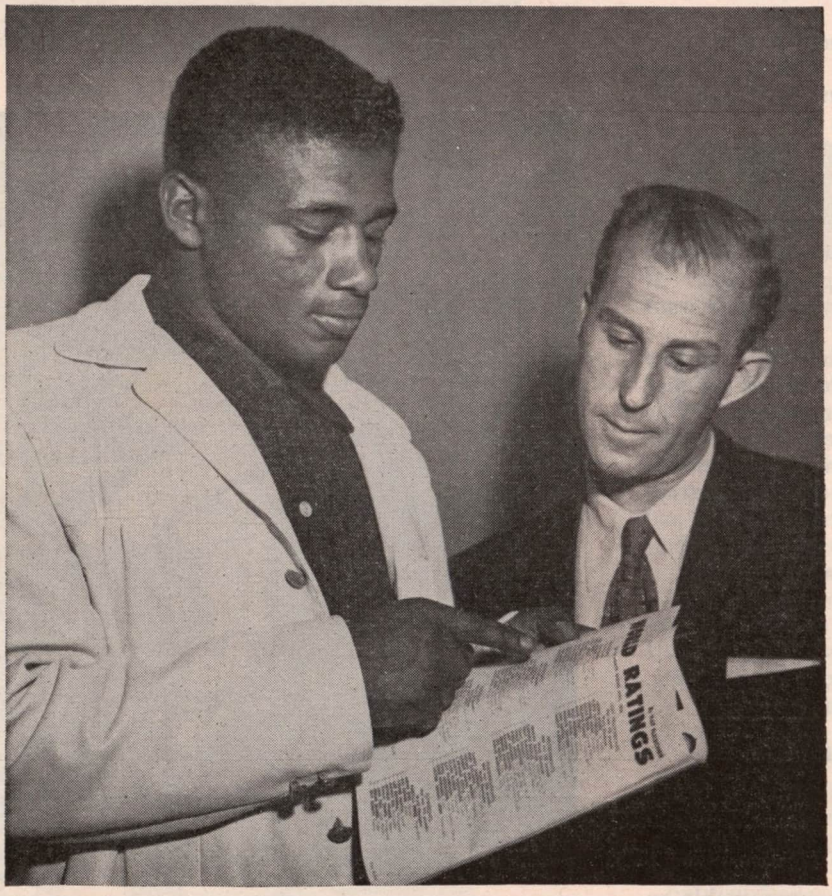
Patterson was given the nod as a sharp shooter, who could call his shots and, tabbed by some a harder puncher than he was given credit for being.

The contest shaped up according to forecast with Jackson storming into Patterson's cross fire round after round.

As Patterson said later: *"I can't figure what held him up. I thought I caught him with some beautiful shots as he moved into me."*

Ringsiders also wondered. Floyd caught his man repeatedly with bone-shattering force, only to have the "Ani-

PATTERSON-JACKSON



Floyd Patterson points to Ring Magazine Ratings indicating to Nat Loubet, The Ring's Managing Editor, where he would like to be . . . at the top. This was just prior to Patterson's first meeting with Jackson. At that time Jackson was rated above Patterson . . . since then Floyd has won heavyweight title.

Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson with trainer Whitey Bimstein, left of Jackson, and members of the press. Note savage, sultry expression of Jackson who has stated that he would be happy to fight Patterson for nothing.

TEE OFF FOR TITLE

mal" blink and come plodding back, flapping his windmill arms in aimless directions, with blows landing every place but on Patterson.

At times Patterson would slow down his attack and stand back as if to scratch his head at the unorthodox antics of his opponent.

Jackson was much more decisively defeated than the score cards showed, but he never lost his steam. His ability to absorb punishment was a subject of amazement.

Since they last met Jackson has won two decisions, both late in 1956, over Bob Baker and Julio Mederos. Commonly believed to be tied up by the I.B.C., the grapevine had it that he would be kept in mothballs until he faced Patterson again.

The prediction was good and so they will meet, but Jim Norris, head of the I.B.C.,is supposed to have given Breidbart the go-ahead signal for his coming fight with Patterson under other than the I.B.C. banner.

Jackson's record of thirty-five fights which breaks down into twenty-nine wins, five losses, one draw, is not the most impressive but he is as good an opponent as Patterson could meet at the moment. He has kayoed thirteen.

There are plenty of worthy heavyweights who will be ready for crack at title honors next year but all are some distance away.

Eddie Machen, one of the hardest punchers in the division, shapes up as a favorite for a future chance, as does Willie Pastrano, "*Fancy Dan*," Zora Folley of the classical school, or perhaps the young diamond in the rough, Roy Harris.

JACKSON DARK HORSE IN COMING FIGHT WITH PATTERSON

When sufficient pros and cons as to the abilities of any two opponents exist in minds of the public and in the press then a meeting of these men becomes what is termed a "*betting fight.*"

The Patterson-Jackson scrap, despite the early 4 to 1 odds is sure to develop into such a contest due to the opinions expressed by the fans as well as the boxing experts.

Jackson is not figured to be much wiser, nor in better condition, than he was for their first meeting. But it will be remembered that despite the classy showing of Patterson he was troubled by the unorthodox style and infatigable nature of the pressing tactics of Jackson. He was plagued by his inability to knock out or knock down the onrushing "Animal".

He did outclass and outbox Jackson but despite ringside opinion that he did so by a large margin, one official, referee Harry Kessler, awarded the decision to Jackson.

Many observers point to this in choosing Jackson as a dark horse in the heavyweight championship sweepstakes. Those of this frame of mind opine that while Patterson disposed of Moore with ease that he was meeting a shell of the Moore who met Marciano and that he was so far over the hill that Jackson would also have easily done a workman-like job on him.

The fact that the champion has been idle since his gaining the title leads to speculation as to what rust may have done to his fighting machinery. His type of attack depends on speed and coordination and there has never been a substitute for fighting to keep a boxer in top condition.

Further, Jackson rooters point to the Moore fight as the only gauge upon which to estimate Patterson's effectiveness as a heavyweight and feel that the champ's rooters have forgotten that he has not since faced anyone who might show up his real abilities.

PATTERSON'S PERFORMANCE AGAINST MOORE STAMPED HIM GREAT

Patterson followers, more numerous at this time, point to his punching power as attested by his quick job on Moore and scoff at Moore having been that far over the hill.

They are profuse in their praise of Patterson as a boxing mechanic and agree with D'Amato, the champ's manager, that he has been underestimated by everybody.

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WILDCAT PROMOTIONS

Emil Lence, Brooklyn dress manufacturer and former promoter at Eastern Parkway Arena, who is latest "wildcatter" to appear on the boxing scene. He will promote heavyweight championship fight between Floyd Patterson and Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson at the Polo Grounds in New York.

By AL BUCK

BETWEEN Shelby, Mont., and the Polo Grounds there stretches 34 years. That is the time that has elapsed between the Jack Dempsey-Tom Gibbons battle in shadeless Shelby and Floyd Patterson's defense of the heavyweight title against Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson in New York City.

There is a similarity between the two fights. Independents promoted the Shelby fiasco. Emil Lence, a dressmaker, with limited promotional experience at Eastern Parkway Arena, a small club in Brooklyn, is the producer of the Patterson-Jackson fray. From Dempsey to Patterson, with three exceptions, Madison Square Garden has been in some way connected with the promotion of all heavyweight championships.

"I guess Jack Kearns was the promoter," said Dempsey when asked about the Gibbons fight. "What happened at Shelby wasn't Kearns' fault. The way things turned out he did a good job, and remember the Shelby people came to him.

Mike Jacobs seen with Joe Louis, when Louis was the champ and under exclusive contract to the 20th Century Sporting Club run by Uncle Mike. Jacobs' control over Louis put him in the driver's seat as a big time promoter.

"A man named Sam Sampson seems to have had the idea originally. There had been an oil strike in Shelby, and the citizens wanted to put the town on the map. They all but put it off the map, and in the end Mayor Jim Johnson was what you might call the promoter.

"Mike Collins, a fight manager, was hired and instructed to make the match. I was to get $300,000 in three payments of $100,000. I got the first $100,000 when the contract was signed. Things began to go wrong, and the second payment was delayed. In all I received $225,000. Kearns collected everything that came in at the box office the day of the fight. That wasn't much.

"Cowboys, Indians and miners were all in the hills looking down at the arena. They could see it from there free of charge. Some rushed the gates. Others came in over the fences. It was a mess. As soon as it was over I got out of town on the first train, riding in the cab of the engine."

Jim Dougherty raised Dempsey's hand at the end of 15 rounds. Gibbons had been offered $50,000 or 50 per cent of the gate after the first $300,000. He chose to gamble. Tommy got nothing except the satisfaction of going 15 rounds with the Manassa Mauler. He was never off his feet.

"I was never under exclusive contract to Tex Rickard," said Dempsey, an interesting fact now that the International Boxing Club and the Garden are charged with violating anti-trust laws. It should be noted that Patterson was not signed to an exclusive contract when he was given the opportunity to win the title fighting Archie Moore at Chicago last November 30.

Lence faces no legal battle in promoting the Patterson-Jackson battle. Neither is he taking a gamble, such as wrecked two banks in Shelby in the wake of the Dempsey-Gibbons financial flop. It was different when Mike Jacobs

persuaded James J. Braddock to defend the title against Joe Louis at Chicago. Braddock was under contract to make his first defense for the Garden.

An appeal from a lower court decision, freeing Braddock from the obligation on the ground he had a right to make a living, was pending as he trained for Louis at Chicago. Day after day Sol Strauss, Jacobs' attorney, sat in the balcony overlooking the lobby of the Morrison Hotel in Chicago wondering if the fight would take place. Finally the appeal was upheld. Louis knocked out Braddock in the eight round.

This wasn't the end. The Garden had a civil suit pending against Braddock. Max Schmeling, the ranking contender, was threatening to fight Tommy Farr, the British champion, for the "world title." Jacobs promptly sent Strauss to Europe with instructions to sign Farr to meet Louis. Sol came back with Farr, and also Marcel Thil, the Frenchman, who was the National Boxing Assn's middleweight champion.

Louis fought Farr for the title, and won a decision in 15 rounds. Thil defended his claim to the middleweight crown against Fred Apostoli on a card called the Carnival of Champions. Four champions risked their titles that night. Barney Ross kept the welterweight championship by defeating Ceferino Garcia, while Lou Ambers retained the lightweight title by outpointing Pedro Montanez. Harry Jeffra won the bantamweight crown from Sixto Escobar. And Apostoli knocked out Thil.

The Carnival of Champions convinced the Garden directors. They took Jacobs in as a partner. The law suits were called off, and Uncle Mike was top dog. The relationship continued until illness forced Jacobs to retire. Then came Jim Norris and the IBC. He took over when Louis retired, and promoted the Ezzard Charles-Jersey Joe Walcott elimination. Charles won and was crowned world heavyweight champion.

From Shelby to the Braddock-Louis fight there was only one title bout promoted by an independent. This was the Primo Carnera-Paulino Uzcudun bout at Rome. The independent promoter was the Italian Government, or at least the Fascist Party. The Garden offered no objections when Louis Soreci, Carnera's manager, came up with Mussolini's proposition.

This was in 1933, and Primo won a decision in 15 rounds. Charley Johnston, who managed Paulino, recalls the fight was held in a public park, and attracted a tremendous crowd.

"It's as if we put on a fight in Central Park," said Johnston. "The fans sat on benches, about six to a bench A high platform was built for Mussolini. The referee was Maurice Nicord, a Frenchman. He gave the decision to Carnera.

"Carnera just jabbed his way to victory. Paulino was all covered up, but the jabs drew blood. I was all alone in the corner, and had an afternoon's work patching the small cuts. Paulino was a tough fellow, and in my opinion a better fighter than Carnera."

The Carnera-Paulino fight was the first for the world heavyweight title held in Europe since Jack Johnson outpointed Frank Moran in Paris in 1914 just before the outbreak of World War I. Johnson was fugitive from his native America at the time. The late Dan McKettrick managed Moran. McKettrick and Moran had a falling out, and Dan attached the gate receipts.

The French Government took charge of the money. Then came the German invasion of Belgium. Neither fighter was ever paid. The money vanished during the war years. Georges Carpentier, later to fight Dempsey for the heavyweight title, refereed the 20-round battle.

Johnson went to Spain and finally to Cuba, where at Havana Jess Willard knocked him out in the 26th round

(Above) Jimmie Johnston (center) signs up with Bill Carey (right), President of Madison Square Garden at that time, to promote boxing for the Garden. Humbert J. Fugazy (right), who attempted to battle Rickard and despite outstanding promotions, came off second best.

Jack Curley, manager and promoter, who will be remembered among other reasons for his promotion of the Jess Willard-Jack Johnson heavyweight title bout at Havana, Cuba.

to become world heavyweight champion. The late Jack Curley was the promoter, but when Willard fought Moran at the old Madison Square Garden it was for Rickard. Tex took over as the promoter of heavyweight title fights at Toledo, where Dempsey slaughtered Willard.

From then on, with few exceptions—the Dempsey-Billy Miske fight at Benton Harbor, Mich., was one—all heavyweight championships have been put on by the outstanding promoter at the moment. After Rickard came James J. Johnston and the Garden, followed by Jacobs, and then Norris.

Norris bought out Jacobs, gained stock control of the Garden, and completed a deal with George Kletz for the Tournament of Champions to set up his empire, with Joe Louis, retiring world heavyweight champion, as a

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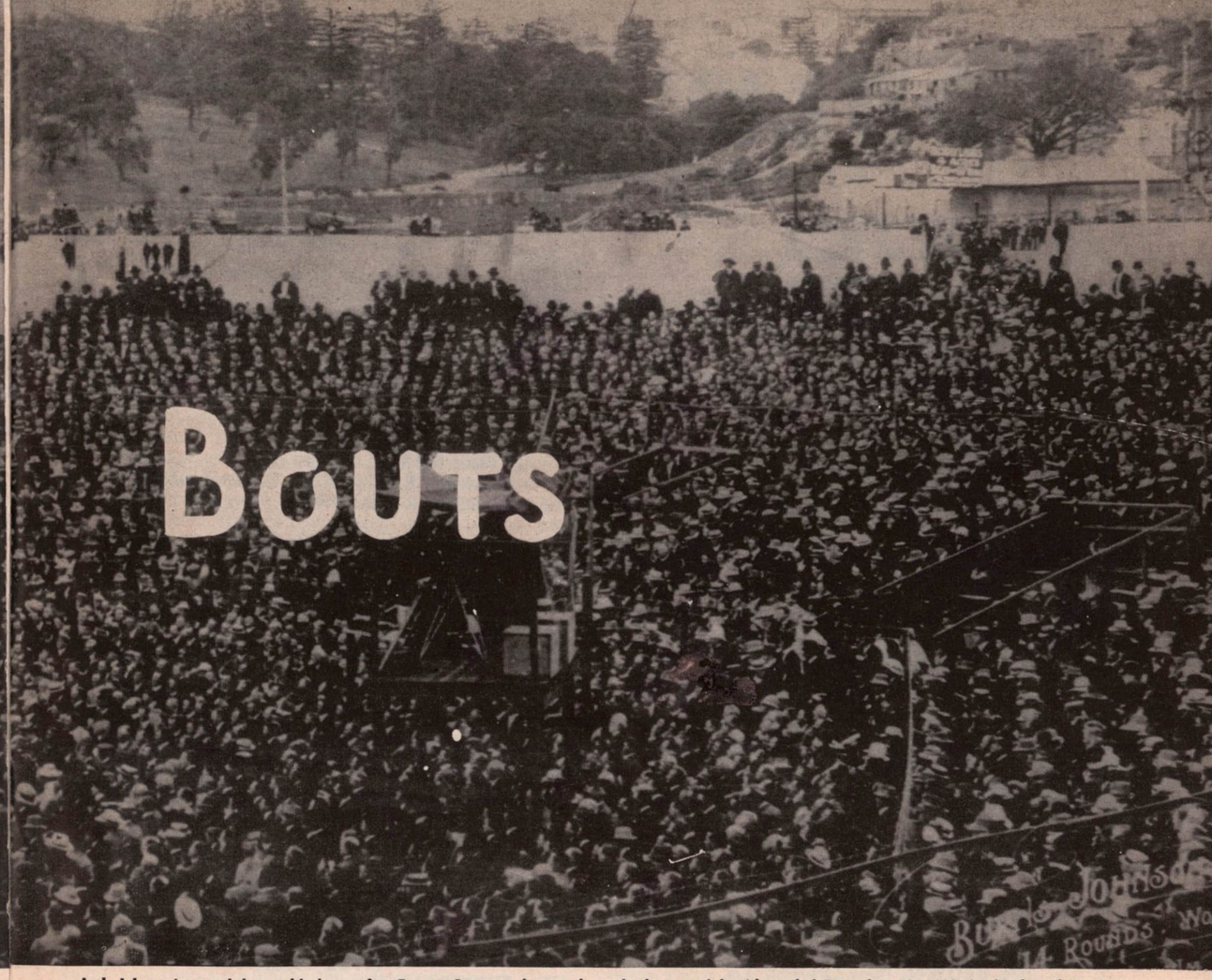
TOURING TITLE BOUTS



Jack Johnson's round-the-world chase after Tommy Burns and a crack at the heavyweight title ended December 26, 1908, in this brand-new arena at Rushcutter's Bay, Sydney. Promoter Hughie McIntosh took fantastic gamble in guaranteeing Burns $30,000 for defending title, but his daring venture paid off handsomely. The bout between an American and a Canadian in "neutral" Australia drew 20,000 fans, a sensational gate of $131,000, and established the island continent on big-time international boxing scene.

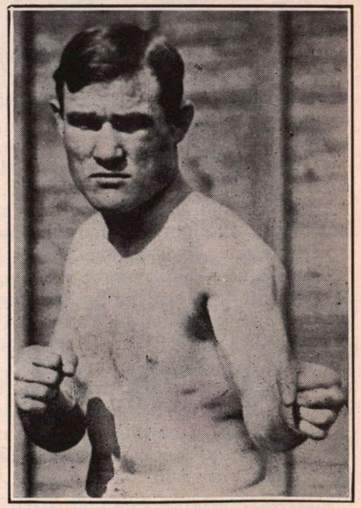
By **JERSEY JONES**

AFTER several weeks of keen bidding among France, England and the United States, the Hogan Bassey-Cherif Hamia bout for the vacant world featherweight title landed in Paris.

Although the International Boxing Club, which staged the tournament eliminations, had hoped to promote the final round in an American ring, it couldn't compete with the robust financial offers of the rival European promoters. The match was a much "hotter" attraction in France and England than it would have been in the United States. In the showdown, the French outbid the British.

Had the bout between the European and British Empire champions, with the world title at stake, been held in the United States, it would have represented an unusual but not entirely unique development in the international sock market. It doesn't happen often, but every now and then history adds another chapter on two "foreign" fighters battling it out for a world championship in a "neutral" American ring.

In 1947 Sol Strauss, filling in for his ailing cousin, Mike Jacobs, became intrigued with the novelty of importing a British fued and having it settled in Madison Square Garden. At the time Jackie Paterson of Scotland and Rinty Monaghan of Ireland were in a violent dispute over the ownership of the world flyweight title. The wrangle had been getting plenty of publicity in the American press, and the tremendous Irish and Scottish populations in the New York metropolitan area convinced Strauss that a Paterson-Monaghan bout would assure a sellout in the Garden. He made an attractive offer for the match. Monaghan accepted but Paterson declined. The rivals subsequently met in Belfast and Monaghan knocked Paterson out.



Frank Klaus, who won disputed world middleweight championship by defeating another visiting American, Billy Papke, in Paris.

In 1917 a European argument was aired at the St. Nicholas Arena in New York. Ted (Kid) Lewis, a Britisher, then campaigning in the United States, was recognized as world welterweight champion. His right to the title was disputed by a Swiss, Al Badoud, who held the European laurels. Badoud invaded America with the avowed purpose of forcing Lewis into the ring with him. Jimmy Johnston doubling as Lewis' manager and St. Nick promoter, realized the natural publicity angles offered by the match. He also was quite certain that Lewis would win. He arranged the bout. Although limited to ten rounds, with no decision permitted in that Frawley law era in New York, Johnston billed the match as for the world championship. Lewis brought the issue to a quick, decisive ending. He demolished Badoud in one round.

During the Gay '90s, and the pioneer years of the featherweight division, a pair of visitors from distant sectors of the far-flung British Empire battled it out in San Francisco

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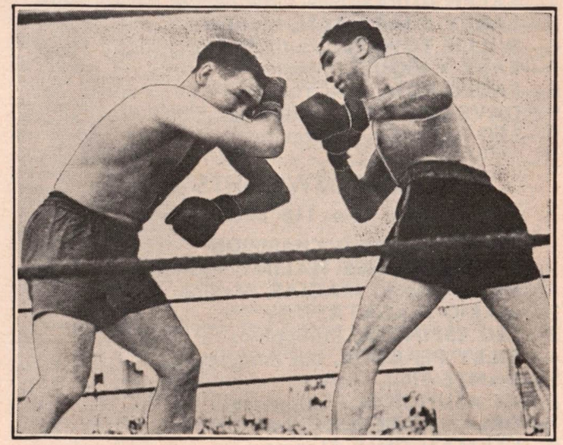


In "neutral" New York ring, Max Schmeling of Germany (right) whipped Paulino Uzcudun of Spain for chance at vacant world heavyweight title.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 20TH

HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Over 175 Pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**TOMMY JACKSON,** Far Rockaway, N. Y.
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
3—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
4—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
5—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
6—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
7—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
8—**BOB SATTERFIELD,** Chicago, Ill.
9—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
10—**PAT McMURTRY,** Tacoma, Wash.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
3—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** Buffalo, N. Y.
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
6—**CHARLEY JOSEPH,** New Orleans, La.
7—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
8—**RALPH (Tiger) JONES,** Yonkers, N. Y.
9—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.
10—**CHEBO HERNANDEZ,** Mexico

LIGHTWEIGHTS

(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**ORLANDO ZULUETA,** Cuba
4—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
5—**LARRY BOARDMAN,** Marlboro, Conn.
6—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
7—**BABY VASQUEZ,** Mexico
8—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
9—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
10—**LEO ALONZO,** Philippines

BANTAMWEIGHTS

(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
2—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
3—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
4—**BILLY PEACOCK,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5—**DANTE BINI,** France
6—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
7—**ORLANDO REYES,** Cuba
8—**GERMAN OHM,** Mexico
9—**JIMMY CARSON,** Ireland
10—**JOE BECCERA,** Mexico

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**GERHARD HECHT,** Germany
4—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI
5—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
6—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
7—**HANS STRETZ,** Germany
8—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
9—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.
10—**DOGOMAR MARTINEZ,** Uruguay

WELTERWEIGHTS

(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
CARMEN BASILIO, Syracuse, N. Y.

1—**TONY DeMARCO,** Boston, Mass.
2—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
3—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
4—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
5—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
6—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
7—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**JOHNNY SAXTON,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
9—**WALTER BYARS,** Roxbury, Mass.
10—**GEORGE BARNES,** Australia

FEATHERWEIGHTS

(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
*** TITLE VACANT**

1—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
2—**HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY,** Nigeria
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**MIGUEL BERRIOS,** Puerto Rico
5—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
6—**JEAN SNEYERS,** Belgium
7—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
8—**JOSE COTERO,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**KID ANAHUAC,** Mexico
10—**CIRO MORASEN,** Cuba

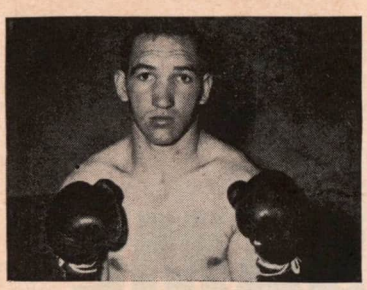
* Hamia and Bassey meet for title on June 24th.

FLYWEIGHTS

(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
2—**DOMMY URUSA,** Philippines
3—**MEMO DIEZ,** Mexico
4—**ARISTIDE POZZALI,** Italy
5—**HITOSHI MISAKI,** Japan
6—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France
7—**GERMAN PARDO,** Chile
8—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
9—**MASAJI IWAMOTO,** Japan
10—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela



GENE FULLMER
Fighter of the Month

GENE FULLMER, of West Jordan, Utah, made an impressive return to the ring after losing his middleweight title to Sugar Ray Robinson. He pounded his way to a unanimous ten round decision over seventh ranked Ralph (Tiger) Jones to lead the field for top honors as Fighter of the Month.

Harold Johnson, who started his return to action in the heavyweight class, is back as a light heavyweight.

He now heads the division as challenger due to the poor showing of Tony Anthony of New York who could get only a draw against Yvon Durelle of New Brunswick, Canada. Anthony, though chosen by the World Championship Committee as Archie Moore's opponent in a title bout, is now listed second to Johnson and Durelle is eighth.

Charles Colin of France has been dropped out of the ranking ten. Hans Stretz of Germany, due to inactivity caused by an injury and Willi Hoepner of Germany exchanged places. Hoepner is listed fifth with Hans in seventh position and Clarence Hinnant of Washington, has lost a peg, from eighth to ninth.

With Johnson back as a light heavy, Archie Moore has been upped among the heavies to third place with Willie Pastrano, loser to Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Texas, down to fourth and Zora Folley of Chandler, Arizona, lifted to fifth spot. Harris advanced into sixth post. Satterfield who lost a split verdict to Julio Mederos, is eighth but his conqueror is not rated, his record not warranting it. Ingemar Johannsson of Sweden, European champion, is ranked ninth.

Among the middleweights, the easy win Charley Joseph of New Orleans scored over Spider Webb and Fullmer's victory over Tiger Jones brought a shift in the ratings. Giambra, Giardello, Calhoun and Joseph were advanced while Webb went down.

Inactive Johnny Saxton, former champion, has fallen to eighth spot from sixth among the welterweights, with Vince Martinez, of Paterson, N. J. and Charley (Tombstone) Smith, of Los Angeles, lifted to sixth and seventh respectively. Isaac Logart of Cuba and Virgil Akins of St. Louis exchanged places, Akins advancing to third.

British champion Dave Charnley, who stopped Johnny Gonsalves in London, has replaced him among the rated lightweights and is listed in ninth spot. Al Nevarez, of Mexico, inactive, has been dropped and replaced by Leo Alonzo of the Philippines.

Carmelo Costa, former featherweight contender now in the Army, has been removed. Ricardo Moreno, of Mexico, who was kayoed by Jose Cotero, of Los Angeles, before a $90,000.00 house in Hollywood, has been replaced by Jose in the No. 8 spot with Cuban contender Ciro Morasen returning to tenth place.

Jean Sneyers, of Belgium, and Paul Jorgensen, of Texas, have been upped one notch each, to sixth and seventh, while Kid Anahuac, of Mexico, is now listed ninth.

As Cherif Hamia, of Algeria, and Hogan (Kid) Bassey, of Nigeria, meet in Paris for the vacant world featherweight crown, it is noted that this contest marks the first time natives of Africa have clashed for a world title.

Many changes have taken place in the bantamweight class. Robert Tartari, of France, makes room for young Jimmy Carson, of Ireland, who surprised by handing world champion Alphonse Halimi his first defeat, in a non-title bout.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Osse Groom, Detroit, Mich.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Gilbert Chapron, France
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Don Horner, Monmouth, Ariz.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Joe Archer, New York, N. Y.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Ed Beattie, Montreal, Canada
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Jerry Dodgen, Gastonia, N. C.
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Abd-El-Kader Azzouz, Algeria
FLYWEIGHTS—Ray Ruiz, Mexico

Jimmy stopped the champion in nine rounds, inflicting cuts over both of Halimi's eyes, and gained ninth spot among the ranking ten.

Inactivity has reduced both Billy Peacock, of Los Angeles, and German Ohm, of Mexico. Billy dropped to fourth from third, trading places with Leo Espinosa. Ohm fell from fifth to eighth. Dante Bimi, of France, has been promoted to fifth from sixth, while Al Asuncion, of the Philippines, has jumped to sixth from eighth. Orlando Reyes, of Cuba, and Joe Beccera, of Mexico, retained their seventh and tenth locations.

Danny Kid, of Manila, log a ranking flyweight, has dropped out of the ratings after his loss to Japanese champion Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto, who has replaced him in ninth position. Pone Kingpetch, of Thailand, on the sidelines with an injury, has dropped from sixth to eighth, changing places with French champion Robert Pollazon.

Here are the months leading results:—

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Roy Harris upset Willie Pastrano, 10.

Julio Mederos upset Bob Satterfield, 10.

European champion Ingemar Johansson retained his title by kayoing Henry Cooper, 5.

Zora Folley kayoed Jim Woods, 2.

Archie McBride upset Willi Besmanoff, 10. Wayne Bethea outwrestled Paul Andrews, 10.

British Empire champion Joe Bygraves retained his title by fighting to a draw with Dick Richardson, 15. Charlie Norkus defeated Crowe Peele, 10. Joe Erskine outpointed Peter Bates, 12.

Art Swiden outpointed Bobby Spaeth, 10. Jesus Gonzales outscored Franco Cavicchi, 10. Sid Peaks outpointed Stanley Mylinski, 10. Garvin Sawyer outscored Henry Hall, 10.

Amos Lincoln kayoed Bill Mathias, 4. Calvin Butler stopped Dan Moray, 5. Bulldog Drummond beat Gene Jackson, 6. George Chuvalo kayoed Joe Olson, 4. Art Mayorga halted Bobby Hughes, 2. Tony Hughes kayoed John Napoli, 1. Terry Lewis kayoed Bob Mitchell, 3. Frank Lawson stopped Johnny Hollins, 6.

Wayne Womochil kayoed John Hardy, 4, and beat Wilbur Dilly, 8. Tony Hughes beat Bob Biehler, 6. John Carroll defeated George Kennedy, 6. Neil Wallace kayoed Johnny Macy, 4. Waban Thomas kayoed Tommy Myree, 4.

Brian London demolished Willy Schagen, 1. Heinz Neuhaus won on a disqualification over Joey Bygraves, 5. Alex Miteff whipped Willi Besmanoff, 10. Roland LaStarza returned to the ring after a three year layoff and stopped Jimmy McMillan, 3.

Alfredo Zuany kayoed Freddy Lewis, 2. Cleveland Williams kayoed Johnny Mason, 1. Mario DePersio stopped Uber Bacilieri, 1. George Peyton beat Dean Bogany, 6. Noboru Kataoka became the first heavyweight champion of Japan by beating Yutaka Nakagoshi, 10.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT

World champion Archie Moore kayoed Alain Cherville, 6 (non-title).

Harold Johnson kayoed Clarence Hinnant, 1. Dogomar Martinez outpointed Wim Snoek, 10.

Yvon Durelle kayoed Gordon Wallace, 2, and surprised by holding Tony Anthony to a draw, 10.

Eddie Cotton returned to action after a long layoff and stopped Al Hogan, 5. George Jarosch beat Lou Bailey, 6. Billy Ryan kayoed Jimmy Bills, 1. Larry Melton halted Joe Valle, 3.

John Riggins kayoed Dave Roy, 1. Kid Sixto bested Ted Martin, 6. Sal Cantino stopped Roy Belsito, 4. Jesse Bowdry beat Eddie Sims, 6. Ted Poole kayoed Rick Jordan, 1. Santiago Gutierrez halted John Penn, 7.

Rudy Williams kayoed Clarence Alford, 3. Felix Mann edged out Ted Martin, 6. Orville Pitts kayoed Lawrence Keyes, 1. Ted Daley kayoed Frank Anguiano, 3. Joe LaQuatra stopped Bobby Peterson, 2. Charlie Black bested Cal Houston, 6. Terence Murphy halted Tony Dove, 6. Sam Langford stopped Duggie DuPreez, 4. Randy Turpin retained British title by beating Arthur Howard, 15. Rocco Mazzola won from Don Ellis, 10. Mike Holt became double South African champion by kayoing Stan Lotriet, 1, to add light-heavyweight title to his middleweight laurels.

Billy Ryan kayoed Milton Ebbs, 4. Jesse Bowdry kayoed Gene Duncan, 2. Charles Colin retained French title by drawing with Jacques Bro, 15.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Former World Champion Gene Fullmer returned to action beating Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 10.

European champion Charley Humez retained his title by outpointing Italo Scortichini, 15.

Charley Joseph reversed it against Al Williams, 10; Al then beat Charlie Cotton, 10.

Gil Turner edged out Yama Bahama, 10.

Franz Szuzina whipped Pedro Gonzales, 10. Rocky Castellani halted Lester Felton, 3. Neal Rivers outscored Bobby Jones, 10.

Joe Gray beat John Gillespie, 10. Alfonso Flores beat Jorge Castro, 10. Wilf Greaves stopped Johnny Neal, 6. Juan Tejada whipped Nilo Blanco, 10. Chuck Lincoln stopped Sonny Hett, 10.

Max Resch kayoed Bruce Damphier, 8. Dick Hall defeated Andres

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By TED CARROLL

HEAVY CALIBRE SAME

A WISE Frenchman once said, *"The more things change the more they are the same."* While this may sound like double talk the sage could have been referring to the heavyweight division. No matter the time, you can always count on that everlasting chorus of complaints over the big boxers not being what they used to be. It's a refrain which has sounded forth in whatever period of fistic history you care to name. The cry echoes back to the days of Jim Jeffries at the turn of the century, and has rung down through the years ever since.

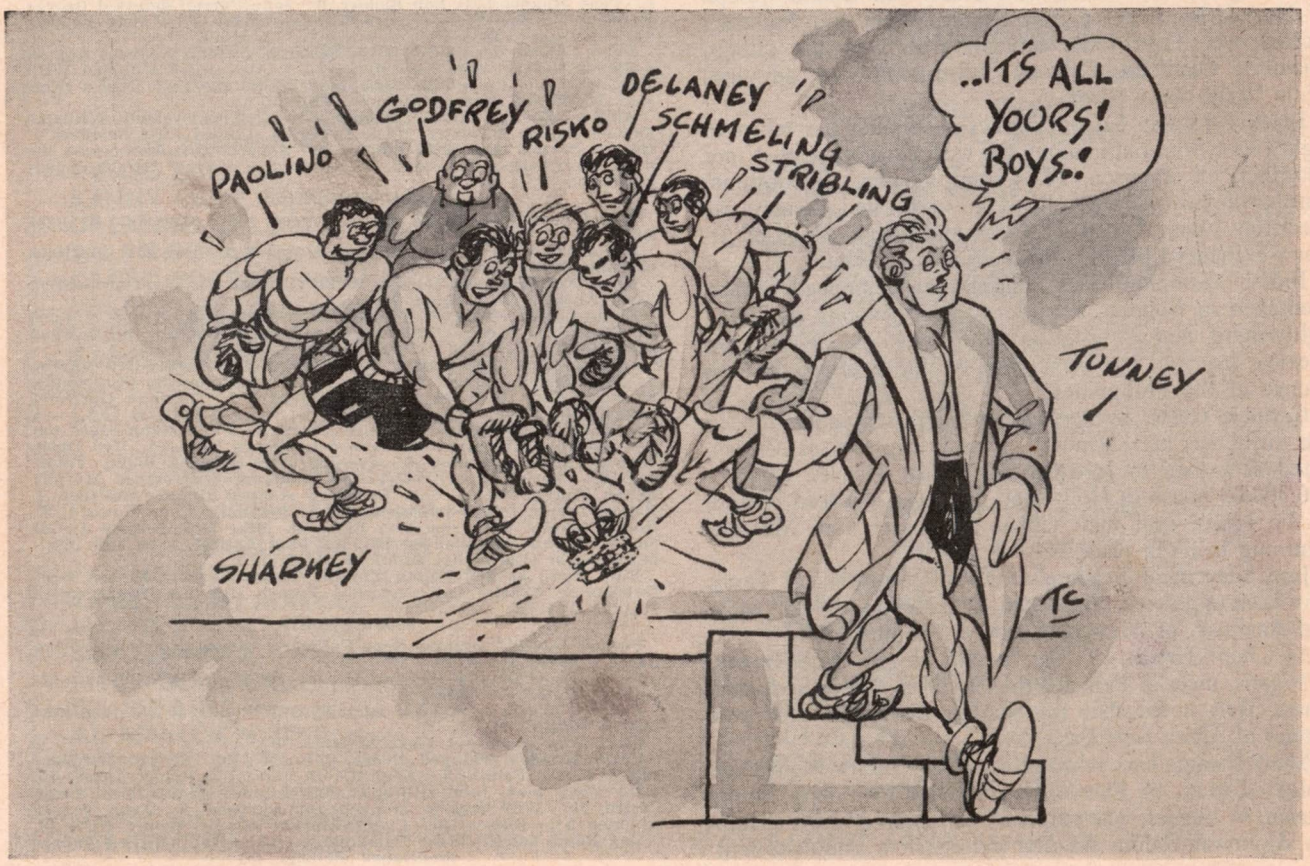
Actually a quick rundown through the top ten in the unlimited class as listed in the Current Ring Rating reveals that things are nowhere as bad as they're supposed to be. Off his record, Patterson does not overpower his challengers as completely as might be thought, judging from the public's attitude towards the contenders.

On the basis of the split verdict he dropped to Floyd in the match which clinched the title chance for the Brooklynite, Hurricane Jackson rates as a solid No. 1 contender, personal and style eccentricities notwithstanding, and deserves the crack at the championship he is slated to get at the Polo Grounds this month.

Those who call the No. 2 man Eddie Machen, not ready and too inexperienced for the champion, have an eyeopener in store for them if they take time to examine the westerenr's record. He has yet to lose a fight, and while he was no ball of fire against wily old Joey Maxim, Machen has a more solid record of achievement against heavyweights than Patterson. His pulverizing kayoes of giants Nino Valdez and big John Holman, both of whom he completely destroyed once he tagged them, outrank any similar feat of the current champion. Upon reflection, Patterson's reputation rests squarely upon the job he did on middle-aged Archie Moore, in the fight which gained him the crown. Old Archie still appears among the top ten but how much this ring patriarch has left, is anybody's guess. At this stage it probably adds up to a world of experience and a still fairly dangerous sneak right hand punch.

Immobilized in the army at the moment, New Jersey's Harold Carter, while no dynamiter, is somewhat reminiscent of Bob Pastor of the Louis era, who seldom hurt anybody, but was a mighty hard man to beat and whipped most of the other contenders along the way.

One has to go all the way back to Billy Conn to find a better boxing heavyweight contender than Willie Pastrano. Like Conn, the New Orleans boy is purely a boxer but does it so well he hasn't lost one in his last 22 bouts and would have been a threat to the champion at almost any time.



Of the remaining ranked big boys, Arizona's Zora Folley, first big man to create any kind of stir from this western state since John Henry Lewis, has possibilities despite his musical comedy name. This former All-Army champ is a stylist of the old school, the first such to come along in many a year. He stands erect in the classic manner, uses a left jab and a right cross in the approved fashion, and is a real student of the art of self defense.

On the strength of the overseas devastation he wrought among the British and continental heavies alone, big Nino Valdez who, lest we forget, has a kayo over Hurricane Jackson to his credit, would make an interesting match with the much smaller champion.

Strangely enough almost all of the first ten contenders have met sterner opposition than the champion, Patterson, a fact which is completely at odds with the lack of esteem with which the public regard him. This is not said in disparagement of Patterson, who is a young fighter of great and unique gifts. He may well be as Manager Cus D'Amato insists, a genuine fistic prodigy, but it doesn't alter the fact that most of the top ten challengers have had much rougher rows to hoe than the 22 year old Brooklynite.

One thing in favor of the present roster of ranked heavies is their comparative youth. They are not creaking with age as has so often been the case in other times. If nothing else most of the current aspirants are still in the prime of athletic life, rather than worn and weary relics of the fistic wars. A few years back, for example, such antiques as Jersey Joe Walcott, Lee Savold and Joe Louis were engaged in a senile struggle for heavyweight honors. All of these, verging on middle age, were sent back to the fireside and slippers by robust Rocky Marciano, who when they were disposed of, found his most formidable opposition provided by aging, over-the-hill, Ezzard Charles.

Nor did Joe Louis, for all of his greatness, find the contenders of his era too awe-inspiring, and the usually level-headed old Bomber is way off base if the derogatory opinions of the current crop of contenders, expressed under his by-line in a magazine article are really his own.

Joe's most troublesome rival turned out to be light heavyweight Billy Conn and most of Joe's other title foes were lumped together in the belittled "Bum-of-the-Month Club" (Musto, M'Coy, Paychek, Simms, Bud Baer, etc.). This was really most unkind since the boys weren't that bad, but they certainly were no better than the topmen of today.

Probably the most formidable crew of up-and-coming contenders of all lay in ambush for Gene Tunney back in the late Twenties, but the ultra-smart Gene, his fortune made and his fame secure, would have none of them. He bade farewell to the whole business in 1928, and left a surging set of contenders like Jack Sharkey, Max Schmeling, Johnny Risko, Paolino Uzcudun, Young Stribbling, Jack Delaney, Tommy Loughran, George Godfrey to battle it out over his discarded crown. When all the scrambling was over, Jack Sharkey, whom the public had wanted to see in against Tunney, instead of Heeney, in the first place, blew the title to Schmeling in that fromagenous foul ending back in 1930.

When Jack Dempsey won the title back in 1919 the old "White Hopes" had just about finished their march into oblivion. Carl Morris, Porky Flynn, Fred Fulton, Fireman Jim Flynn, etc., opponents when Jack was battling his way to the top, had reached the end of the line when Jack became king. The blight on the big class hung on for years, as Harry Greb, a middleweight, beat most of the heavies of Dempsey's time. The field was so barren of competition, that when Jack did have a foe, he was usually in with the likes of little Georges Carpentier, fading Bill Brennan, failing Billy Miske, or 172 pound Tom Gibbons. Save only big Harry Wills, who by 1921 had seen his best days, and who was stymied in his quest for a title shot by social and political conditions of the time, there simply were no heavyweight contenders during most of Dempsey's reign.

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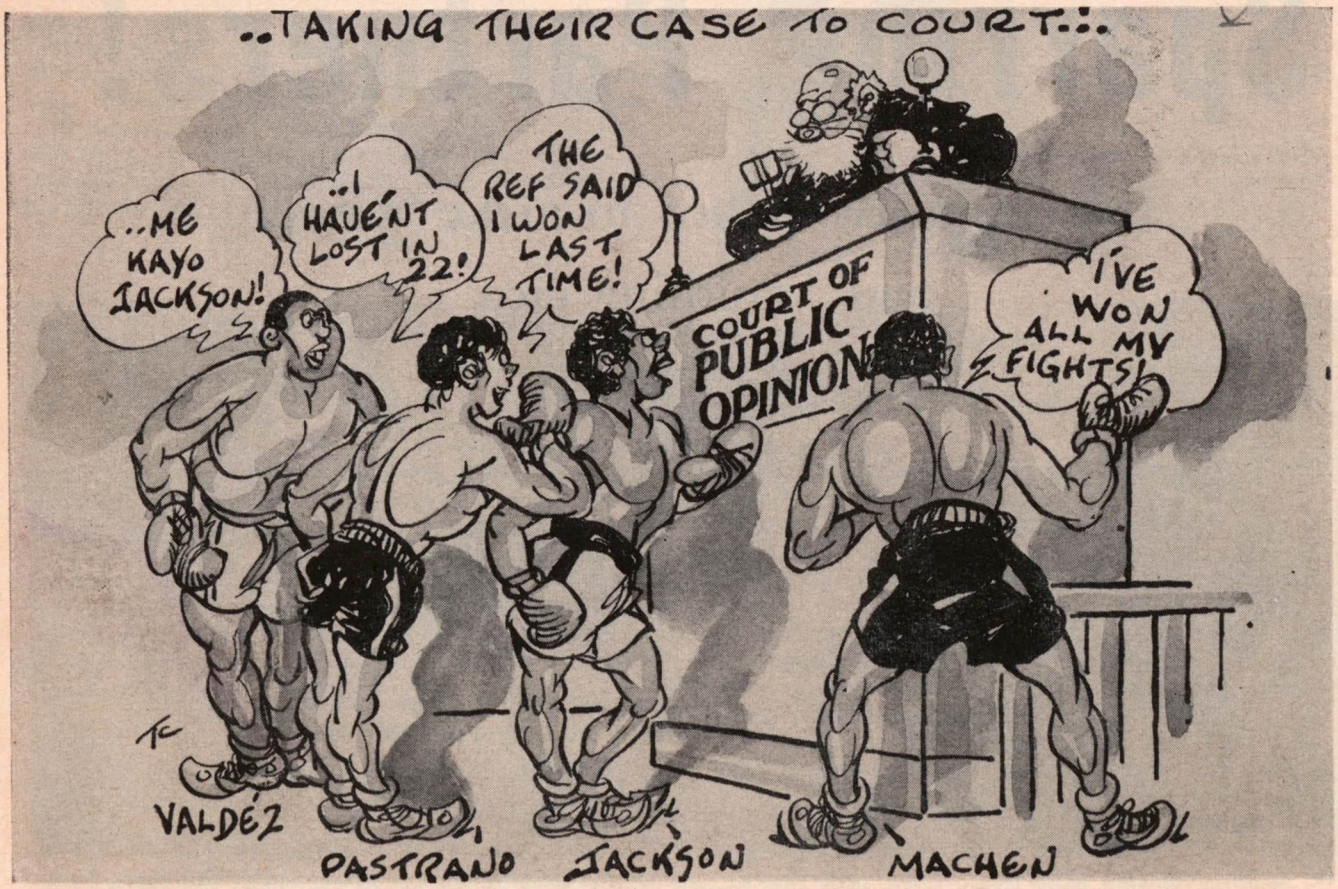

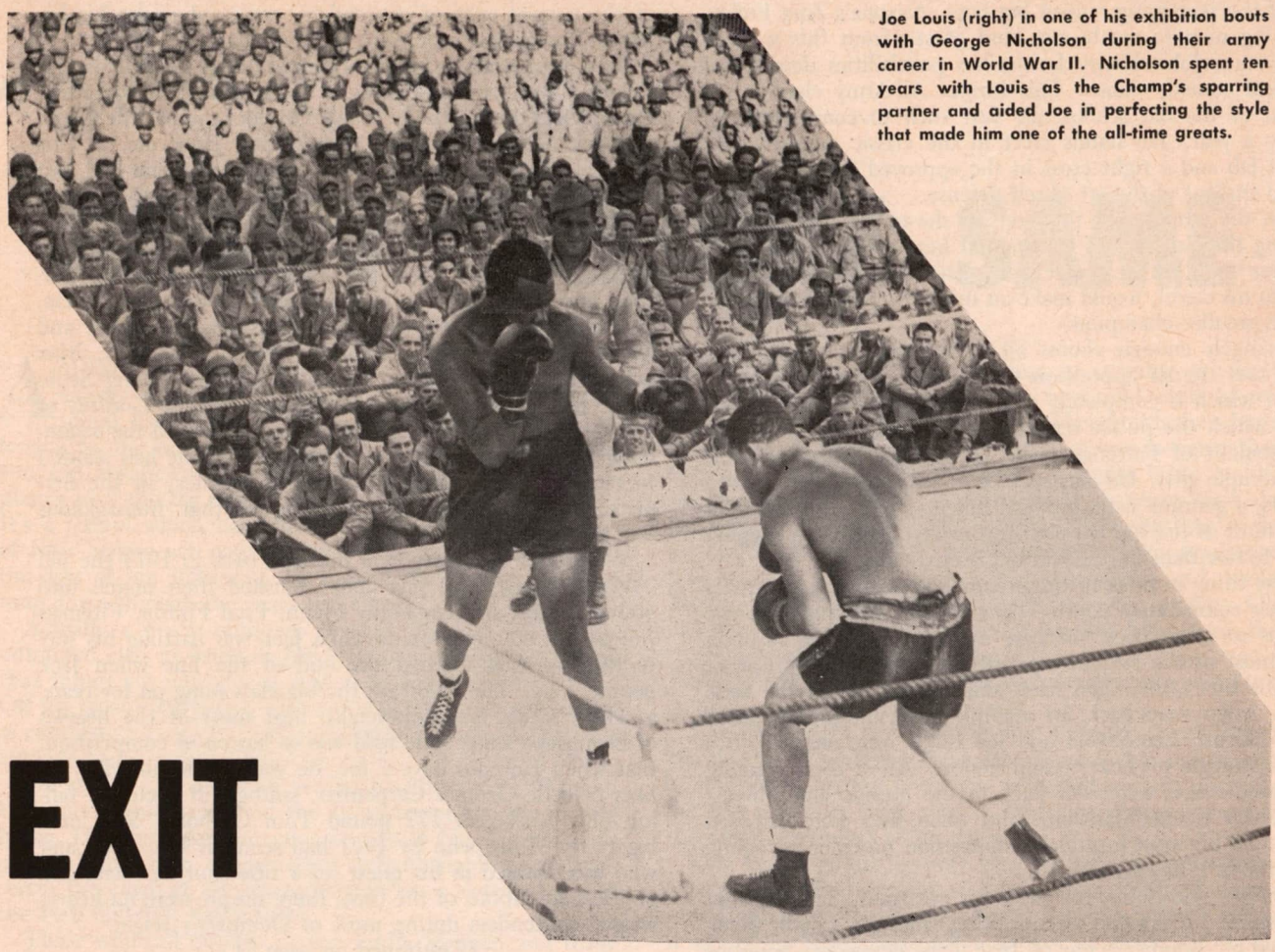

Joe Louis (right) in one of his exhibition bouts with George Nicholson during their army career in World War II. Nicholson spent ten years with Louis as the Champ's sparring partner and aided Joe in perfecting the style that made him one of the all-time greats.

EXIT Sparring Partners!

Television has helped to make "guinea pigs" vanishing race

By LESTER BROMBERG

THE professional sparring partner, once an important figure on the boxing scene, faces extinction. Working opportunities have contracted sharply with lessened training activity. The sparring partner never could get enough regular fights to keep him going in the old days. Wasn't that how he got to be a sparring partner?

However, it was a notable tradition, not to mention a better than fair living, for many of its practitioners, some of whose names are remembered by fans who go back to pre-TV. There, incidentally, is the villain in knocking off the sparring partner because TV matchmaking essentially is short-order service—make next week's fight this week, don't-waste-the-fighter's-money-on-training camps, etc.

It was in the training camps that the sparring partner enjoyed his greatest glory. Next to the champion himself, he was spotlighted most frequently. Writers interviewed him, visitors sought his autograph and camp proprietor wanted to know if he were comfortable. All this with relatively few hours of work and, as pointed out, a nest egg of cash to take home.

At that time bona fide sparring partners were much sought after, since the supply of competent ones was limited. There was competitive bidding by managers. Outright hijacking of a sparring partner would happen occasionally, too.

SIMMONS MADE GOOD THING OUT OF SPARRING JOBS

Probably the last fighter able to make a good thing of being a sparring partner was Keene Simmons, Bayonne, N. J., heavyweight.

Simmons, square-rigged, round-faced Negro with quick hands and powerful arms, had been an able club figter. Early

in 1951 he boxed Rocky Marciano, then surging towards the heavyweight crown, in Providence.

Keene cut Rocky's eye and it was touch and go for a while as to whether or not the referee would have to stop it. Finally Rocky came on, hacked up Simmons' features and it was stopped in the eighth round—in favor of Marciano.

After this fight, Simmons never again had marketability as a main eventer but he was appreciated as a useful conditioning agent.

Then came one of those kidnapping episodes mentioned above.

Harry (Kid) Matthews had come into New York to box Marciano and Jack Hurley, his manager, was ultra-choosey about sparring partners. *"I got Harry in shape in the Pacific Northwest,"* he said, *"I want somebody to work with him, not to overwork him."*

Simmons' name was brought up, with the Marciano connection.

"Is he a free agent?" Hurley asked. *"I don't know,"* someone said, *"he usually works for Marciano."* *"Well, I declare him a free agent,"* Hurley said. Then he hired him. Rocky didn't get his favorite sparring partner that trip but, as it worked out, he didn't need him. He caught Matthews with a perfect left hook in the second round and the fight was over.

Going back to the halcyon days of Joe Louis, one inevitably is reminded of the Brown Bomber's old reliable—George Nicholson.

Coming from Yonkers, N. Y., Nicholson was a towering, solidly-built gent with an amiable disposition and first-rate physical equipment.

Had anybody been of a playful turn of mind, he might have won himself a lot of money betting people, *"who fought the most rounds with Louis?"*

NICHOLSON BOXED JOE MORE THAN A THOUSAND ROUNDS

It would have to be Nicholson, hands down. On George's own estimate, the total came to *"more than a thousand rounds."*

"Figure it out," he said, *"I was around with Joe over 10 years and, with at least two major fights most of those years. I boxed 100 rounds with him in training every year."*

Nicholson came into the official family while Jack Blackburn, Joe's original teacher, a tough critic, yet was in vigorous health and cracking the whip. Blackburn died towards the end of the champ's career.

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Lou Ambers (left) acted as a sparring partner for Tony Canzoneri when Lou was breaking into boxing. He later defeated Canzoneri for the lightweight crown. Above we see Lou successfully defending his title against Tony whom he had wrestled it from the previous year.

Panama Joe Gans, a 160 pounder who sparred with Jack Dempsey to develop the later's speed.

Rocky Marciano (center) with his two sparring partners, Keene Simmons (left), Willie Wilson (right), second from left his trainer, Charley Goldman and second from right his father, Peter. Simmons remained, The Rock's chief sparring partner and his favorite during the majority of his career.

Nat FLEISCHER says:

Italy seeks U. S. Olympic team trainers
Champions may bring boxing revival
Perez turns down lucrative offers

ITALY is seeking four American trainers to help develop a boxing team for the 1960 Olympic Games, which will be held in Rome. The Italian Federation has requested The Ring Editor to recommend the men capable of filling the post previously held by Steve Klaus, formerly of Brooklyn but now a native of Milan where he handles Duilio Loi, Italo Scortichini and other professional boxers. Those accepted will be asked to sign a three year contract to remain in Italy until after the completion of the games.

In addition to the above assignment, I was delegated by a native syndicate, while visiting Rome recently, to offer Lou Viscusi, manager of Joey Brown, $40,000, tax free, three round trip tickets, and all expenses, for a lightweight championship match with Loi in Rome, Milan or Bologna before September 15. The Italian Federation guarantees a neutral referee to be appointed by the European Federation.

A Philippine syndicate also cabled a request to me in Paris to contact Gilbert Benaim, manager of Halimi, and offered $40,000, tax free, three round trip tickets, for a bantamweight title contest with Leo Espinosa in Manila, with a guarantee of neutral officials to be selected by me.

The first official interview with Guilio Onesti, President of the Italian Olympic Committee of the 1960 games, highlighted my five weeks journey in Europe.

From America word was received that Viscusi could not accept the Loi offer due to Brown's title defense against Zulueta in Denver. Benaim refused the Manila proposition for Halimi to box Espinosa.

DEMAND RECOGNITION OF LOI AS TITLE CONTENDER

Boxing moguls in Italy are furious over the failure of the world championship committee to name Loi as the opponent for Brown. The papers have been loaded with adverse criticism of the World Championship Committee for not registering a complaint against the Denver bout with Zulueta.

The contention of the Italians is that the committee is a useless body. The same opinion is held in France. There I found similar antagonism towards the Committee, which Benaim and his colleagues declare has repeatedly displayed favoritism where U. S. boxers are concerned in title bouts. In Milan, a protest on behalf of Loi was sent to the World Championship Committee. In it, the Milan Boxing Federation stated:

"It would be best for international boxing if the Committee disbands. It's actions in the past two years have proved that it cannot carry out its decisions and has been of no benefit to international boxing."

Chief interest in Europe is the amateur boxing, though Cherif Hamia, Alphonse Halimi and Duilio Loi are kept in the professional spotlight. Though there are a few newcomers who loom as good prospects, England, and Central and Southern Europe are in the throes of a ring depression.

Duilio Loi, Italy's best boxer. Milan and Rome promoters are offering $40,000 to the lightweight champion to defend his crown against the colorful Italian.

Only a few of the top men are crowd getters and most of these are veterans who either have passed their prime or are close to the end of their careers.

Italy and France lead in the new talent. In France, Gaston Charles, who developed Robert Cohen into a world champion, paraded a lively, two-fisted, heavy attacking bantam at the Salle Wagram in Abd-el-Kader Azzouz. He looks like an excellent prospect. Another sharp little bantam is Henri Schmid, clever and fast.

ITALY THINKS WELL OF HEAVYWEIGHT BOZZANO

In Italy they are singing the praises of Mino Bozzano, the heavyweight who lost to Peter Radamacher in the Melbourne Olympic Games. Bozzano, handled by Klaus, has had seven pro fights, winning three by knockouts and four by decisions. Steve thinks he can develop Bozzano into a top ranking fighter and hopes to have him in America within a year. His victories were scored over Dantes Lepercq, Horst Herold, Heinz Lemm, Hans Drabes, Armand Boudin, Marcel Limage and Allevi.

With the exception of bantam Mario Sitri, and Lightweight Franco Nenci, all Italians who competed in the 1956 Olympics Games are boxing as professionals. (Avery

Dr. Vittorio Strumolo (left), discussing the Loi case with Nat Fleischer and his staff of assistants in the headquarters of the Milan S.I.S. Societa Imprese Sportive—Seated next to The Ring Editor is Giannino Cabassi, co-promoter in Milan and behind him is Ugo Clerici, Vice-President of the Professional section of the Italian Federation known as F.P.I. Steve Klaus, former Olympic Italian coach and now a manager and trainer, is on the extreme right.

Brundage, of the U. S. Olympic Committee, please note.) This seems to be true in almost every other country outside the communist states, where professional boxing is taboo.

The Italian Federation, which couldn't retain the services of veteran trainer Klaus because he didn't have the freedom to carry out his plans as in the past years, replaced him with Natole Rea, but seeks Americans to work with him. They like the American style which Klaus introduced in Italy.

In all Italy, the amateurs are out in force. Under the Federation's plans, tournaments are being staged and from these will come the boys who will be helped by the Federation with free training and jobs.

Those accepted as prospects will be asked to sign not to turn pro until after the 1960 Olympic Games. At one tourney I attended in Naples, 149 boys from Southern Italy competed in the novice championships. Since the best of the Italian and French simon pures of the 1956 games are now in the money chasing field, each country must start anew to build material for the international amateur competition. They've started early and are getting a quick jump on America.

OLYMPIC COMMITTEE WELL UPON PLANS FOR 1960 GAMES

The Italian Olympic Committee is preparing plans even at this early stage for the Rome games four years away. Housing prints are ready. Village acreage has been acquired and the committee is almost ready to lay its plans before the International body for approval. President Onesti said:

"Though Italy is relatively poor compared to many other countries, we will give the world a set of Olympic Games second to none. We will not have the headaches that bothered the Melbourne Committee. We have started early. Our preliminary preparations are well advanced and we will have everything in readiness long before the alloted time since most of our stadiums are ready. There is little we'll have to build."

Then he went on to state that the greatest difficulty will be in the housing problem. With Rome a center for world tourists, hotel accommodations are at a premium. Unless arrangements have been made well in advance, one finds himself out of luck when seeking quarters. That is what is worrying the Olympic body even now. The Mayor and City Council of Rome, to alleviate the situation, are offering to sell valuable city land at half its present value to those who agree to build hotels on the grounds.

Onesti presented me with a rare Etruscan Vase, dated 700 B.C., as a gift of the Olympic Committee and then discussed, with the aid of his British speaking secretary, his Committee's plans. The headquarters of his committee is in the Stadium building, adjoining the 100,000 seating arena where the track and field events will be staged.

The arena is on the left bank of the Tiber where Constantine, the first Christian Emperior of Rome, battled to victory against Maxentius. Asked how the games will be financed since Italian government funds are not available, President Onesti replied:

"We are being helped by the flow of money from the weekly soccer pools. These pools are well supported by the public."

ADDITIONAL ARENAS ARE BEING BUILT IN ROME

Then he pointed out that little new construction will be necessary. Mussolini built an athletic center which surpasses any the world over and this will be used for most of the Olympic activities. One swimming pool is on the site, but another to seat 25,000 persons, is being constructed.

A soccer stadium with a capacity of 80,000 is available. Tennis and basketball courts are also ready. Besides the huge stadium, another seating 30,000, in the city, will be utilized. A new pool will be ready before the end of this year.

Also on the other side of the Tiber, a short distance

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TV and BOXING

By JOHNNY SALAK

THE announcement that Floyd Patterson will defend his world heavyweight title against Hurricane Tommy Jackson on July 29 at Yankee Stadium brings to mind that, while Floyd may not be the greatest heavyweight ever seen, the fact remains he is being seen.

Rocky Marciano, his predecessor, engaged in seven world title bouts, only one of them being seen on home TV, his return engagement with Jersey Joe Walcott on May 15, 1953, at Chicago, for which the TV-radio rights sold for a record $300,000. Actually, if you missed the first round of that fiasco, you've never seen Marciano in a title bout on free-TV, for the encounter lasted 2 minutes, 25 seconds, including the count. The fight with Jackson is Patterson's second title bout, both on home TV.

This department has always been for a lessening of the number of weekly televised network shows, and strong for the telecast of championship matches as long as the crucial area is blacked out. A championship fight on TV is usually good entertainment, the promoter and fighters are well paid for granting the rights to telecast, the "home gate" is protected by the blackout and interest throughout the country is engendered, with a chance for countless millions to view the best in the division fighting for the highest honors.

Theatre TV leaves much to be desired. Discounting the fact that seating capacity is decidedly limited (that would be overcome in time) and anything but a clear picture is shown on the huge screens, too much is dependent on the weather throughout the country. Too much also is dependent on the caliber and color of the opponents. Ticket prices have also been way out of line, exorbitantly high, in these movie house productions.

We do not find fault with promoters who favor Theatre TV, for certainly they are entirely within their rights in trying to squeeze the most money out of a promotion. It is to their interest that television revenue is received while the bulk of the fans do not view the telecast of a fight, thereby making a valuable asset of the motion pictures of the bout, their worth depending on the fighters and what results in the fight. That way, they hit a three-way jackpot, the actual gate, the television revenue and the films of the bout shown throughout the country starting the following day.

But hitting the jackpot is often booby-trapped by improbable odds, a condition which has been the deterrent to theatre TV's time, money and efforts to gain a strong foothold.

Looming large are the possibilities of toll-TV, especially since it appears the Federal Communications Commission is ready to give it the go-ahead signal. It promises all that that Theatre TV does, while you may still remain in the comfort of your home to view the proceedings and for a much more nominal fee.

There are persistent rumors that plans have gone beyond the talking stage for toll-TV of a weekly fight once FCC approval is granted but we feel that, though the novelty of the innovation may carry it through in the early months, it is a case of stepping off on the wrong foot.

The idea, pay-TV, can only go over if the paying public feels that it is getting a bargain for its money. Weekly TV fights, as we have learned, are no bargain.

TV BOXING

MONDAY

ST. NICHOLAS ARENA, New York (DuMont TV Network), Chris Schenkel, Announcer.

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS, emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

THURSDAY

OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM, Los Angeles (KTLA-TV), Cal Whorton, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† CAVALCADE OF SPORTS, Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Networks), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV), Bob Kelly and Jim Healey, Announcers.

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dunphy, Announcer.

WHEN EBBETS FIELD WAS PACKED AND SACKED

Telecast of the world bantamweight championship match between the new titleholder Alphonse Halimi and Mario D'Agata a couple of months ago in France, brings to mind a bit of radio boxing history.

The first world bantamweight championship fight to be radio broadcast occurred thirty-six years ago, on July 25, 1921, at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, N. Y., with Pete Herman regaining the title from Joe Lynch.

This was only twenty-three days after the first fight ever broadcast—Packey O'Gatty vs. Frankie Burns—and the first championship fight ever aired—Jack Dempsey vs. Georges Carpentier for the world heavyweight title, at Boyle's Thirty Acres, July 2, 1921.

The announcer must have had a field day in that early attempt, for in addition to a great fight, Herman regaining the title he had lost to Lynch the previous winter, and an amazingly large crowd, he had an on-the-spot broadcast that he could do with a senastional gun-point robbery.

The fight was promoted by William Gavin's International Sport Club and it was reported that the wildly enthusiastic turnout paid a total of $103,315, a record for the division which stood for over thirty years.

The crowd, to the amazement of all, was of colossal proportions, and when the first preliminary was put into the ring there were more than 15,000 seated or heckling ushers for seats. Thousands more were milling outside, some waiting patiently in lines which moved at snail-like pace toward the ticket windows. A small detail of police proved

unable to handle the crowd effectively, and the result was disorder beyond reason.

Spectators had come early and pushed and jostled each other in a wild river of confusion in the marble rotunda, the entrance to Ebbets Field. Facilities for handling the remarkably large crowd were, to put things mildly, rather loose. Consequently, neighborhood children—and adults—were seen scaling the walls and jamming their way past the ticket windows, efforts to halt them being given up as a lost cause. Had a robbery been planned, the conditions could not have been more ideal.

The lower price tickets (bleachers $2.50) were the main aim of the crowd which enveloped Ebbets Field and the ticket dispensers were quickly overwhelmed by the rush and precious moments, which stretched into endless waits, were lost trying to straighten out the tangle. Once inside, the bleacherites made for the ringside seats with the ushers and police unable to stem the tide. Arguments and battles occurred as men of wealth who had foresaken the comfort and ease of their summer villas for this occasion, attempted to gain their rightful reserved seats and lean back at ease and enjoy the spectacle. Women, too, were conspicuous in the great throng and relaxed their lady-like manners to shout with undisguised annoyance as late comers stood in the aisles arguing with the ushers and tried to claim their seats.

Just about then the lights in Ebbets Field went off, the field remaining in darkness and confusion. They blinked on again and then went out, the crowd setting off a din of shrieking complaint.

It was then the robbery was committed. Outside, at one of the main ticket windows, a shattering of glass was heard and a thoroughly harassed and surprised ticket dispenser was face to face with the desperado. He was ordered to turn over the money, which he did, and the bandit disappeared into the safe confines of the maelstrom which was Ebbets Field, apparently to enjoy the world title match.

Charles H. Ebbets, Sr., president of the Field, upon hearing of the robbery, ordered all gates closed, but there was no way of identifying the person or persons who had committed the robbery. That "they" were on the inside, no doubt watching the fight with a bit of apprehension, there seems no doubt. It would have been impossible to search everyone and the possibility remained that the money was stashed away. The police said that the electric wires had been cut just prior to the robbery, drowning Ebbets Field in darkness.

The ticket seller said that he did not get a good look at the bandit who broke the window and got off with the money. All that he could see was the muzzle of the gun. This proved, we imagine, that he did not lose his head, was cool and calm, while the bandit collected.

The night that Pete Herman (above) regained his world bantamweight title from Joe Lynch, at Ebbets Field, in 1921, a daring robbery was committed at the ball park. The bout, on radio, was one of the first broadcast.

So far we have been unable to learn whether the announcer took advantage of his tremendous "break," or, if he did, how he treated the on-the-spot story in those pioneer days. It's a once in a lifetime opportunity for a broadcaster.

MOST HAPPY FELLAS

Additional fights which the promoters were happy you did not see on TV: Harris-Baker, Houston ($23,600); Giambra-Vejar, Oakland ($18,283); DeMarco-Byars, Boston ($38,500); Moreno-Annaloro, San Francisco ($23,-145); Flanagan-Gavilan, St. Paul ($43,-796); Cotero-Moreno, Hollywood ($89,-457); Macias-Urusa, San Francisco ($82,119).

The Ring Magazine survey shows a rising trend of non-televised fights grossing over the $10,000 mark (a 52% increase through May), a good indication that the sport may be in for at least mild revival, a credit to the independent promoters who have continued in the face of losses.

This increase has not been limited to any one sector but is strongly being felt in California, Texas, Minnesota and Massachusetts. The areas still lagging are those from which the televised shows emanate, mainly Chicago and New York.

The number of smaller clubs reopening and attempting to run on a weekly or twice-monthly basis is heartening. At this time we do not anticipate a boom in boxing but, with televiewing of fights falling off and attendance at non-televised fights on the increase, the sport appears headed for a more solid footing than it has had in the past several years.

FOREIGN CHANNELS

Television in Japan, where many of their big fights are videod, though only a little more than four years old, has the nation's movie industry worried. Already the number of TV sets in use is on a par with the totals of West Germany, France and Italy.

Japan has approximately 500,000 sets and the beginning of April saw the debut of TV station No. 12 in Hokkaido. Optimistic reports say the nation will top the 1,000,000 set mark early next year.

Japan's first heavyweight championship bout, which also produced their first heavyweight champion, was televised. The event took place on May 5, at Tokyo. Noboru Kataoka defeated Yutaka Nakagoshi. Both are ex-sumo wrestlers. But that shouldn't be held against them. Many of our heavy men fight the same way.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS GIVEN THE AIR

The world lightweight title bout between Champion Joe Brown and Orlando Zulueta at Denver on June 19 was the last of the radio broadcasts of the Wednesday Night fights. These bouts have been aired over the American Broadcasting Co. network for the past two years, have been dropped by the sponsor, along with announcer Steve Ellis.

This is another heavy blow to radio network broadcasting which through the past several years has seen more and more of the big shows disappear from the air.

Only one fight is now heard on radio on a nationwide radio network, the Cavalcade of Sports Friday Night shows, sponsored by Gillette, which has been broadcasting continuously since the Louis-Conn June 21, 1941 fight.

CHANNEL HOPPING. . . . British annual tax for owning a TV set is being increased to four pounds ($11.40). . . . U. S. total of television sets has passed the 40,000,000 mark and if you don't believe it go out and count the antennas. . . . New York City has more than 10% of these, 4,750,000.

New York has seven TV channels, while 140 cities still have only one. . . . 68 have only two. . . . 38 have three channels and only 15 have four or more TV stations.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By "G.I." JOE SMITH

JOE CELANTANO, formerly with the Armed Forces Press Service, New York, before being reassigned to the Seventh Fleet, reports from the Far East that the USS Helena (CA-75), flagship of the Commander Seventh Fleet, has an eight-man boxing squad under the supervision of Warrant Officer William G. Whitlock, a veteran of numerous amateur bouts.

Assisting him with the Helena team is trainer Ralph C. Redmond, a Yeoman in the Flag Office, who was a member of the Sixth Naval District championship team from the NABT Pensacola, Fla., in '53, '54 and '55. As a fighter with the Sixth Naval District team he fought in the light-welterweight, welter and light-middleweight classes.

At present the Helena squad, a young and inexperienced group of pugilists, has two good prospects in light-heavyweight Bob Berg, who in two bouts has flattened his opponents in the first round, and young Jerry Vanatta, who had numerous successful amateur fights as a high school athlete.

COOK'S TOUR

A wrestling note from the destroyer Hanna, now a Seventh Fleet unit in the Western Pacific:

Commissaryman First Class Bud (Tiny) Wilson, a professional wrestler from Ringgold, Georgia, is hoping to get back in shape after crossing the Equator. The 297-lb. grappler, who is 35, lost 13 pounds on the trip over to the Western Pacific from San Diego, Calif. Tiny, who only began wrestling about four years ago, is determined to get back in shape.

Crew members of the Hanna claim he's not only a good wrestler but a good cook too.

Tiny's assistant in the galley, Thomas G. Parson of South Carolina, is his right-hand man in the cooking department but when it comes to wrestling he shies away from the big man. Parson only weighs in at 126 pounds and is the smallest member of the crew.

THE LONG TRIP

Camp McCoy, Wis. . . . Joining forces with four other service and collegiate wrestlers scheduled for a flying tour to Japan and matches with university teams there, will be Linn Long, assistant special services officer here.

Long is the 1957 All Army and Fifth Army featherweight wrestling champion and runner-up in National AAU competition for 1957.

The other wrestlers are: lightweight Tom Evens, Air Force; middleweight Meb Turner, an Army chaplain; Terry McCann, bantamweight from Tulsa, Okla.; and Douglas Bulbaugh, welterweight from Oklahoma A & M.

The team will assemble in Tulsa for final workouts before their takeoff for Japan.

Purpose of the tour is to develop interest in wrestling competition between the two countries, and to prepare the National AAU team for the 1960 Oympics.

THE WRIGHT WAY

Sgt. Don Martin, Pendleton Scout, Sports Editor . . . reports on Marine Corporals Larry Wright and Hurley Wallace, two of Camp Pendleton's top boxers, recently wrapped up their 1956-57 season with the Base fistic squad with impressive records in tournament competition.

Wright, probably one of the classiest scrappers in the Marine Corps, sailed through the season with championships in the San Diego and Pacific Coast Golden Gloves, Southwestern Pacific Border AAU and Eleventh Naval District as a light and light-welterweight.

Scrappy flyweight Wallace picked up San Diego Golden Gloves and Eleventh Naval District titles.

Wright boasts a 100 win, 10 loss record—quite impressive for a 20-year-old amateur. He's fought as a bantam, lightweight and light-welterweight, tallied 45 knockouts and has never been off his feet or TKO'd. Larry's fistic career goes back to novice scrapping in St. Louis as an 11-year-old 60-pounder. He entered Golden Gloves circles at 135 and won the city Gloves title in 1951.

His Marine Corps accomplishments include the Seattle Golden Gloves and Thirteenth Naval District titles in 1954 and '55 while stationed in the Northwest and the Del Mar Fair and Fiesta del Pacifio invitationals in 1955 and the AAU title in 1955 and '56 while at Camp Pendleton.

Plans for the future? He'll leave the Marine Corps in November and tackle professional fighting under his brother Clarence Harbin in Chicago.

Hurley Wallace has fought at fly and bantamweight, tallying a 40-10 record since he donned the gloves at age 13 in 1950. He fought three novice fights in his hometown, Benton Harbor, Mich., won two and decided to enter the Golden Gloves. He won the city and regional titles that year and was runner-up in the Michigan State Gloves bouts.

Hurley came into the Marine Corps in June, 1954, and joined the boxing squad in April, 1956. After only three day's training, he entered the Eleventh Naval District bouts and claimed runner-up title. He won the Del Mar Fair Invitationals championship as a bantamweight, then dropped to flyweight to win the San Diego Golden Gloves in 1957 and copped the Naval District title this year as a bantamweight.

M/Sgt. Clyde Chastain, one of the leading light heavyweights in the early and mid-Thirties, relaxes at his home in San Antonio, Texas, with wife Clair. Chastain, who fought two world champions, is stationed at Brooke Army Medical Center, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

Future plans are indefinite for Hurley. He'll probably fight in Golden Gloves circles in Michigan when he leaves the Corps this month. He says he might consider joining his stablemate Larry in Chicago pro circuits if his amateur success continues.

CHASTAIN SOUNDS OFF

FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas—"Boxers just aren't hungry enough, or maybe they don't have enough ambition." Thus Clyde Chastain sizes up the professional boxing field of today.

Chastain, now a master sergeant assigned to Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., should know. He is a veteran of 160 professional fights and has tangled with two World Champions and three foreign titlists, all during the early and mid-thirties. Today he follows the sport on TV and through THE RING Magazine.

With the exception of two garden-variety ears and a few eyebrow scars, the trim sergeant, just 12 pounds over his fighting weight of 172, shows no signs of a nine year campaign that pitted him against Maxie Rosenbloom twice, when "Slapsie Maxie" held the World's light heavyweight title, welterweight champ Jackie Fields, and Australian, Norwegian and Belgian champions.

The Army Physical Therapist is quite emphatic in his argument that fighters of today don't give the fans their money's worth. "Just take a look at the nationally televised bouts of our 'better fighters'. Watch all the clinching, holding and mauling. The idea now is, I suppose, as it was then to fight to win. But in the old days we fought clean and hard ring tactics couldn't have changed that much in the past 20 years."

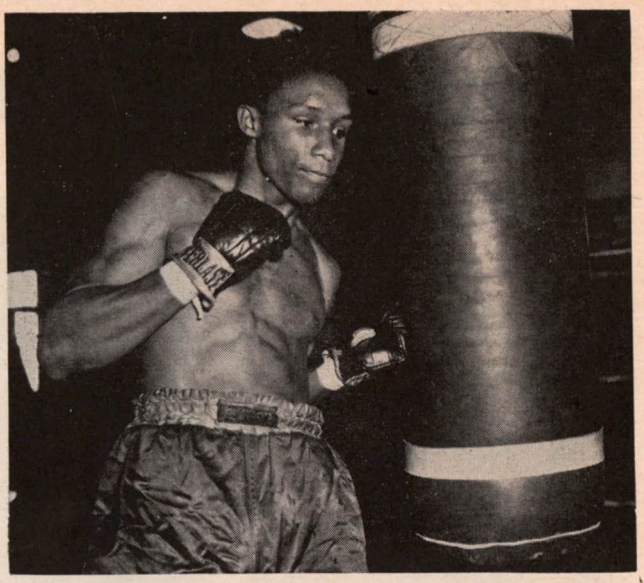
A native Texan (born 47 years ago at Avinger) softened his verbal blows in the second round. "Money isn't so hard to get these days and many of our youngsters won't spend hard gruelling years of training and fighting small club bouts to reach the top. I was the sole support of my family at 19. If I showed up for a fight out of condition or didn't give it my best, there were dozens of youngsters waiting for the chance to show what they could do."

Chastain, who resides with his wife, Clair, at 1814 West Ashby Drive, San Antonio, had only four amateur bouts before turning professional. As a member of the Oklahoma National Guard he attended summer training at Fort Sill in 1927 and entered the Guard's boxing tournament. He won four tournament bouts and was crowned Oklahoma National Guard Champ at 18. Upon returning to Oklahoma City he began to fight four round curtain raisers and semi-windup bouts, before heading fight cards in Oklahoma after 25 bouts.

Just after turning 19 his contract was bought by Eddie Sears, then managing Mushy Callahan, World Junior Welterweight Champion. Clyde's next stop was Chicago where, with a new manager and in new surroundings, he started on the trail which he hoped would lead to a championship bout. After he had beaten My Sullivan and Jackie Horner in Chicago, manager Sears took his new welterweight find to San Francisco, where he won a decision over Chick Devlin and held Young Corbett III to a draw.

Returning to Chicago he tangled with the World's Welterweight Champion Jackie Fields in a non-title bout and lost a close decision. Since Chastain was having trouble making the welterweight limit, he jumped into the middleweight class by beating Al Stillman in Chicago, then defeated Norweigian middleweight champion, Haakon Hansen, and Rene DeVos, middleweight titlist of Belgium.

Following a few more bouts in 1931 Chastain entered the National Boxing Association's elimination tournament to find a new middleweight Champion. He was eliminated in the quarter finals by Gorilla Jones, in a bout stopped in the seventh round when Clyde suffered a badly cut eye brow.



Cpl. Larry Wright, one of the classiest scrappers in the Marine Corps, won a number of titles this season and sports a 100 win, 10 loss record.

Chastain was not enticed into the Army by recruiters' tales of seeing the World. He circled the globe 10 years before during his ring career. In 1932 Clyde's contract was bought by Pa Stribling, father of Young Stribling, and after winter bouts in Florida they departed on a 14-month tour of the world, with the first stop Sydney, Australia. The still growing, 22-year-old youngster had outgrown the middleweight division and he moved up to the light heavyweight class. His only loss in nine fights in Australia was a 15-round decision to Ambrose Palmer, then reigning heavyweight champion of the Land Down Under. As any old timer will tell you without much prodding, middleweights and light heavies would move up a few notches to heavier divisions if the price were right and the bout could draw a crowd.

The next stop was Johannesburg, South Africa, where Chastain again participated in nine bouts, winning eight. He was held to a draw by heavy-weight Ben Foord. From South Africa the group, which included Young Stribling, visited England and France before returning to the U.S.

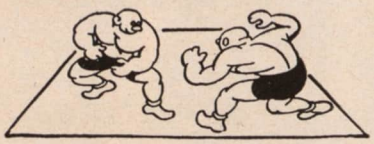
During 1933 Clyde had his first of two encounters with light heavyweight Maxie Rosenbloom. They met in a non-title bout at Chattanooga, Tenn., and Chastain held the colorful champ to a draw. They tangled again in another non-title bout with Chastain gaining a decision, at Oklahoma City in 1935.

In 1936 he decided to quit the ring after suffering a third round TKO at the hands of Junior Munsell. This marked the third time Chastain failed to go the distance in his nine year, 160 professional bout career. He was never knocked out.

The soft-spoken sergeant won't step out on the limb in comparing champions of today with the old timers. "Marciano was undefeated champion: you can't improve that record," he says unsmilingly, "and I won't comment on his competition. This Ray Robinson appears to be one fighter who could mix with the boys of 20 years ago," he added.

The Chastain name hasn't dropped from public eye—or better, from the public ear. Another "fighter" is Don Chastain, now starting a singing career in Hollywood without the aid of wiggles or sideburns. Don, 21-year-old son of Clyde, is presently appearing at Hollywood's Moulin Rouge and his confident dad says he'll be in the main events before too long. Asked if young Don ever tried following his father into the ring, Clyde answered without hesitation "He was never hungry enough to make a good professional fighter."

THE MAT WORLD



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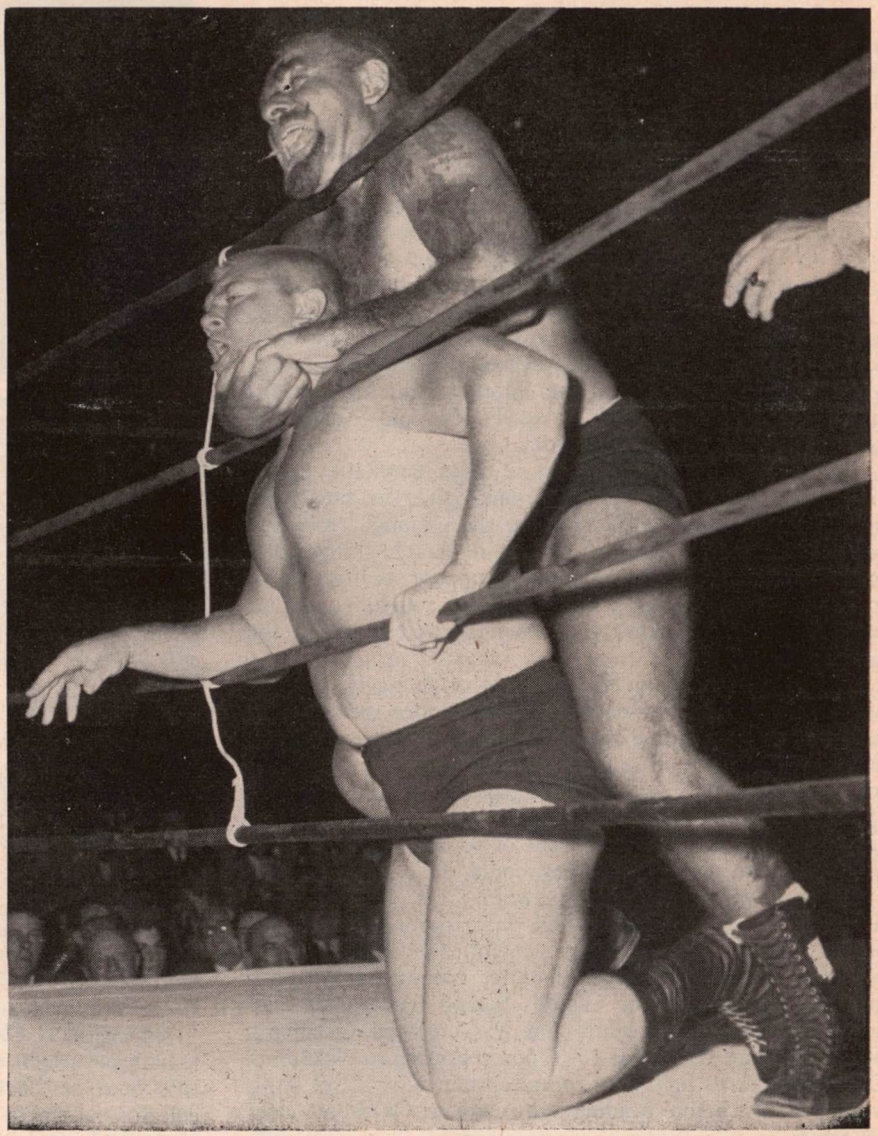


Karl Von Hess with a headlock on Dick (The Bruiser) Affils as the Bruiser calls "enough!" Holding on to the ropes he waits for the ref to pull Von Hess off his back . . . he's had sufficient necking. Von Hess lost the contest to Affils. Action took place at Madison Square Garden, N. Y.

Betty Evans is a curvaceous blonde beauty who is racking up an ever growing fan following by virtue of her fast and furious mat tactics. She is a member of Buddy Lee's stable of men and women wrestlers.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

WORD from Billy Shaw Jr., at Syracuse that he has become disassociated from Pedro Martinez for whom he was doing publicity on the mat shows at the War Memorial Arena . . . sorry to hear of the break-up because Billy was doing a fine job.

Ed Briggs, our California correspondent, sends in latest news.

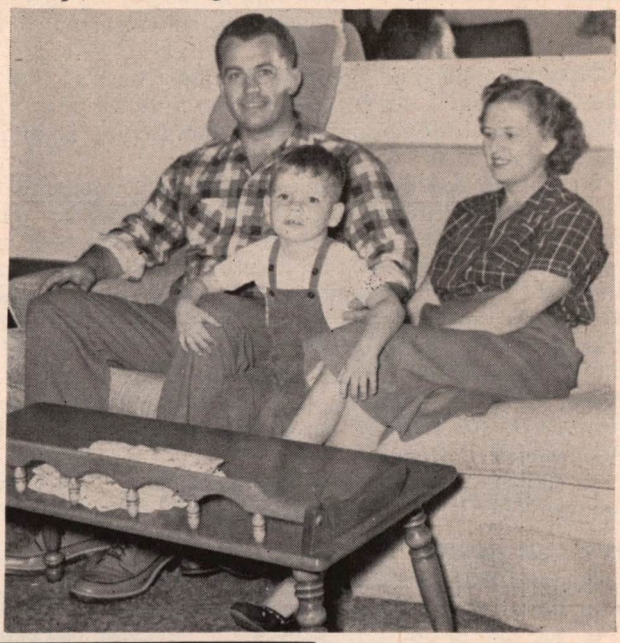
GARIBALDI, sensational young Italian heavyweight, has returned to northern California mat wars after an absence of six years. Leo, a colorful performer, is as popular now as he was several years ago when he teamed with his poppa, veteran Gino Garibaldi. He recently toured in the South, Texas, Arizona and Los Angeles areas. He was All-US Air Force Wrestling Champion for four years. Welcome back, Leo . . . Art Michalik, the clever ex-football star now mat main eventer, recently completed a tour of Idaho rings. Art deserves bigger and better west coast bouts. He's got what it takes . . . Hans Schnabel and Bobo Brazil are commuting between Honolulu and California and are big attractions . . . Wee Willie Davis, the veteran heavyweight roughie from West Virginia, made a return trip to California after an absence of over 13 years. Willie gained national

fame by winning $16,000 on a nationwide quiz show. . . Osage Indian star Chief Suni War Cloud is enjoying much success in the San Francisco-Fresno area. The Oklahoma chieftain is a box-office draw . . . 260 pound Mike Sharpe is back in action after a four month lay-off. Mike was set back as the result of a near fatal auto collision near San Francisco last February.

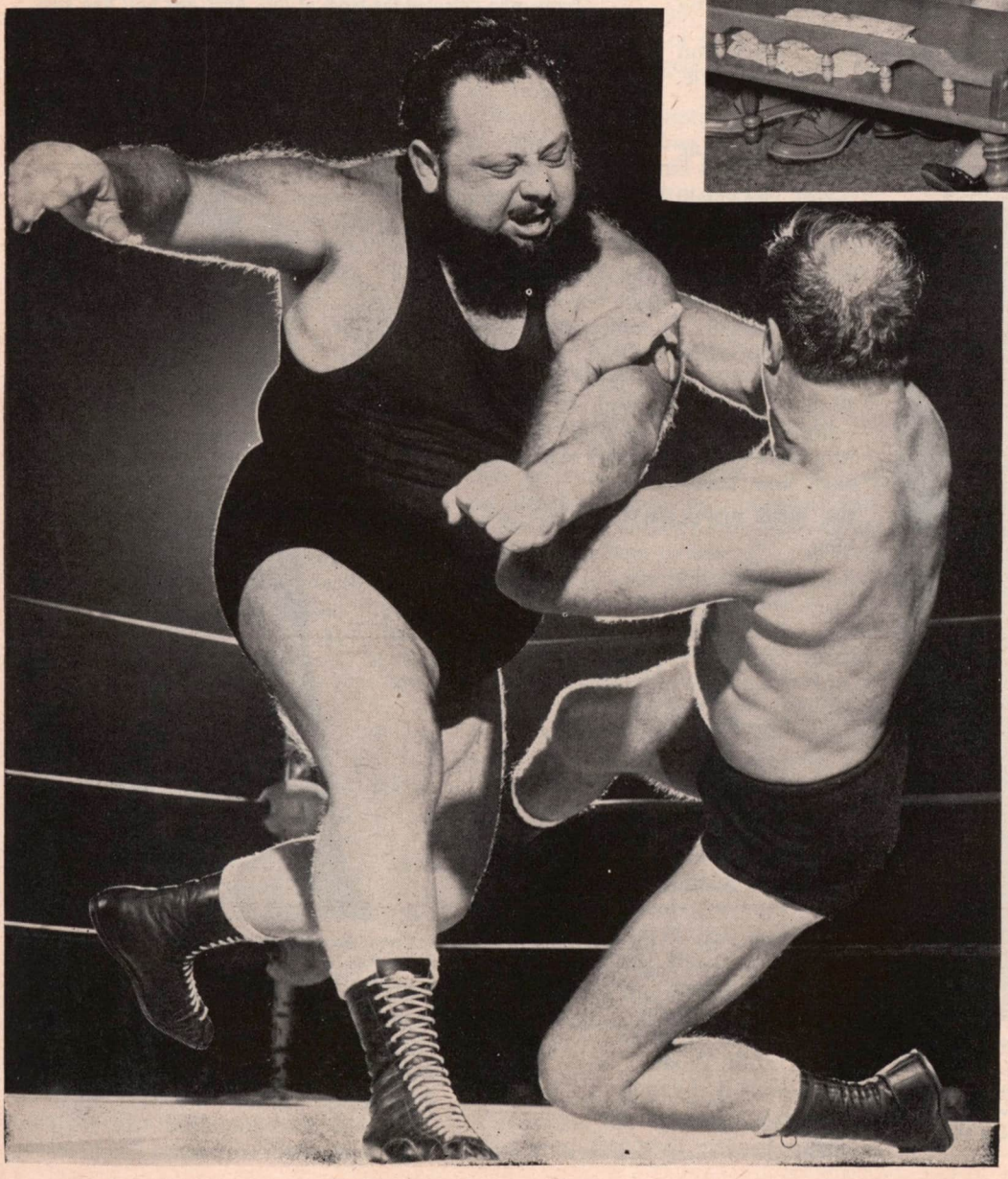
Have you noticed how wives of wrestlers seen around have been swinging more and more toward the Italian boy hair styles? . . . Bull Montana, real meanie, has two children, Rickie, his son, aged seven, and Vickie-Lynn, a daughter, who admits to six. Montana is a patsy for his kids . . . word has it that they pin him continuously.

Down Texas way women wrestlers have been taking hold . . . one of the spectacular gals, demure looking 5′ 3″ Judy Grable does a stint a la Antonino Rocca. . . . "The Barefoot Contessa," just 21 years of age with large dark eyes and soft spoken is an escapee from acrobatics and trapeze work in a circus. . . . She's a farm girl born in Hickory Valley, Tenn. . . . her most well known maneuver and her own innovation is a Kangaroo Flip described by her as follows: *"I jump high on their shoulders from behind them, catch them under the arms with my feet and somersault over, causing them to be thrown over my head."* . . . This is no gal to wrestle with . . . that's for sure.

While on Texas . . . the thriving metropolis of Waco with Leo Newman as promoter came up with a novel innovation all their own . . . As a result of rioting and the grapplers throwing each other out of the ring said promoter decided to run a night that would cause an end to rioting . . . a night to be called "Destruction" . . . barbed wire to be strung along the four sides of the ring with two referees in a tag team free for all . . . as the promoter said: *"At least the spectators will be safe . . . the only way this riotous quartet could get out of the ring would be straight*



Ronnie Etchison, Pacific Coast favorite, seen relaxing in his Santa Cruz home with his wife and three year old son. Etchison is a former Pacific Coast heavyweight champ who is a contender for world heavyweight honors.



Argentine beef on the hoof! Hombre Montana, 325 pound bemouth from South America, delivers a smashing elbowblow to the jaw of Ben Sharpe, Canadian mat star at the Winterland Arena in San Francisco. Hombre won the one hour contest. Photo by Mike Masura.

up by helicopter or by digging out with shovels." We are awaiting the results of the experiment . . . we always knew wrestlers would eventually go straight up or the reverse.

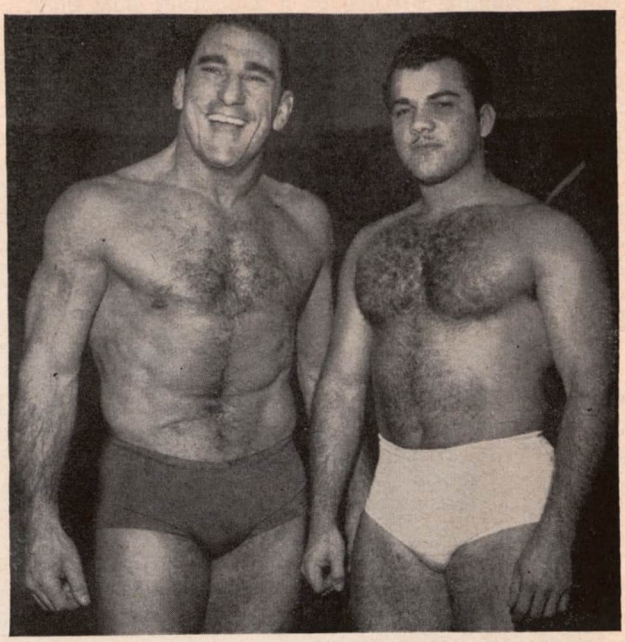
The amazing red head Big Humphrey, a three hundred pound bundle of dynamite doing well in Texas brings to mind a story about Humphrey who Texanish likes to do things in a big way.

A few years back Humphrey disposed of close to $50 worth of food in a Dallas cafe by way of preparing for a match that evening . . . that's a lot of food in any gourmet spot . . . we wonder if there was an extra charge for bread and butter?

Note from our good friend of the "Sportsman's" club in the Berkshires, Tom Mortimer, who informs that Lou Thesz is one of the world's leading authorities on the canine species(dogs).

Gene (Mr. America) Stanlee should be commended on his passing out loyalty pledges to all with whom he comes into contact . . . it's very attractive page of color with red, white and blue, containing the Declaration of Independence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. There is a space to sign one's name among the men who signed the original document. The sheet is further adorned by a picture of the President of the United States and Gene Stanlee . . . makes for good framing . . . and should be a superb reminder to the youth of our country in promoting greater Americanism.

At the annual tournament held in Istanbul, Turkey won four world free style wrestling crowns as well as the team title.



Antonino Rocca (left) posing with his tag team partner Miguel Perez, who defeated the team of Dick Affils and Karl Von Hess in a two out of three fall contest at Madison Square Garden, N. Y.

FAN CLUB CORNER

Back up the Fan Clubs and you will be giving wrestling a big boost. Here's a few you may not know about.

Bill McDonald Fan Club, President, Alice Post, 193 E. State St., Columbus, Ohio; Devince Carty Fan Club, President, Alice Wooddell, Route #1, Piqua, Ohio; Jim Hardy Fan Club, President, Margaret Beechler, 803 Farlow Street, Springfield, Ohio, Don Eagle Fan Club, President, Janie Swisher, 67 Waverly Ave., Dayton, Ohio; Hans Schmidt Ringsters Fan Club, President, Ann Gillette, 238 Sunset Ave., Herkimer, New York.

Rita Cortez is a well proportioned girl wrestler from Mexico City, an all-around athlete, who has been providing action all over the U. S. wherever the gals are permitted to show their wares.

THE RING POPULARITY POLL

Men

1. Rickie Starr
2. Antonino Rocca
3. Ronnie Etchison
4. Verne Gagne
5. Dick (The Bruiser) Affils
6. Jackie Nichols
7. Dr. Roy Graham
8. Lou Thesz
9. Whipper Watson
10. Mark Tendler

Women

1. June Byers (Champ)
2. Judy Grable
3. Princess Moolah (Champ)
4. Kathleen Wimbley
5. Carol Cook
6. Judy Glover
7. Penny Banner
8. Gloria Barratini
9. Edith Wade
10. Beverly Lehmer

KATHLEEN WIMBLEY

The first time Kathleen Wimbley saw girl wrestlers on television in her native Columbus, Ohio, the talented, athletic-minded high school co-ed decided that was the life for her. An honor graduate of Columbus' South High School, she had considered music,

Czaya Nandor, Hungarian refugee who stands six foot and weights 227 pounds, brings a spirited but clean sportsmanship to the U. S.

modeling and professional dress-designing among career prospects, each field representing one of her talents. But girl wrestling, she figured, could be fun and lucrative. She had excelled in sports.

Upon graduation in June of 1951, she quickly contacted Billy Wolfe, the "czar" of lady wrestlers, at his Columbus headquarters. Billy liked what he saw and accepted her, putting her on the (then) usual training program at $25 a week plus expenses and turned her pro four months later. Kathleen, who is 23 years old, stands 5' 5" and packs 145 well-placed pounds, earned $10,000 her first year, and went undefeated her first six months. Today, five years out of six, she earns more than $20,000 annually.

Out of the ring, Kathleen is a strictly feminine type who designs all of her clothes and ring robes, and is waiting for the "right man" to come along. She has participated in sports since childhood. At South High, where she was extremely popular, Kathleen captained a mixed girls' basketball team and was president of the Basketball Club, played volley ball, softball, and bowled. And she was not averse to playing sandlot football with boys. Also a gifted musician, she played clarinet in the school band as its only Negro member. A fellow classmate at South was Ethel Johnson, another talented Negro girl grappler, whom Kathleen competed against in all sports. Their rivalry has extended to the wrestling ring, where they have put on some stirring battles against each other.

The envy of fellow gal grapplers, Kathleen possesses the most beautifully built arms in the game. She is a master at jiu-jitsu, having learned the intricacies from her brother, Arthur, a marine physical fitness instructor. She ranks high in the girls' grappling game. One of the most gifted and talented performers in the scientific knowledge of the sport, Kathleen's repertoire of holds includes punishing head locks, airplane spins, step-over-toe holds and backbreakers. Although she prefers to wrestle clean, she can "heel" with the best, when the occasion arises.

In five years of wrestling, Kathleen has been in over 1000 bouts and has won 90% of them. Her list of victims reads like a "Who's Who" of femme stars—all the Negro girls, plus Penny Banner, Gloria Barattini, Belle Starr, Elvira Snodgrass, Ethel Brown, Lana LaMar, LeChona La Claire—and the list goes on endlessly. Her secondary ambition besides winning the world title is to annex the Negro Ladies' Championship, now held by Babs Wingo. She rates Wingo, June Byers, Mae Young and Mildred Burke as her toughest opponents, with Wingo and Young her most troublesome foes, having lost to each of them ten times.

Kathleen is one of a few girls ever to score a fall over then champion Mildred Burke. She rates June Byers as the greatest girl she has met, but hopes to beat the champion the next time out.

LIVE TV STUDIO WRESTLING hereto confined to a few stations in America's leading cities, has now arrived in Canada with tremendous impact. First to introduce the popular sport in a Canadian Television Studio is Station CKGN-TV, powerful private operation in the ambitious City of North Bay. In the vast expanding Northland, local wrestling in the arenas of such centers as North Bay, Sudbury, Timmins, Sault St. Marie, Cochrane, Kapuskasing, Kirkland Lake and numerous other cities and towns has long been an outstanding attraction. The governing body of professional wrestling in that section of Canada is the Northland Wrestling Enterprises.

The idea of LIVE STUDIO WRESTLING was suggested to CKGN-TV Sales Manager FRED NOON, who quickly realized the potentional audience of such a show and immediately arranged for sponsorship of same.

There was no question in the minds of either the wrestling office or TV station as to who would handle the show. That important task was quite naturally turned over to CKGN's own BARRY LLOYD PENHALE, youthful veteran of both the wrestling and television fields and author of the sensational new book Canadian "TV WRESTLING" Illustrated. He brings to the television screen an accurate, colorful and concise description of all that happens at ringside during CKGN's LIVE STUDIO WRESTLING. Interviews with wrestlers prior to and immediately following the bouts form an important part of the show. Penhale's knowledge of his interviewee's help to relax all concerned and result in interesting and enlightening discussions. All bouts are one fall with twenty minute time limits. There is an enthusiastic live ringside audience in attendance and needless to say like all true wrestling fans they hoot and holler to their heart's delight. There is no audience admission charge. The ring used is twenty feet by twenty feet and is set up in advance of each show and taken down immediately afterwards.

INDIANAPOLIS WRESTLING . . . BY BOB UTTER

The closest thing to a near riot to be seen in Indianapolis when Angelo Poffo lost by disqualification to handsome Wilbur Snyder in a three-fall match.

Poffo, 227, of Columbus, O., won the first fall over Snyder, 238, Santa Monica, Calif., with a neck-breaker. The time was 10:23. The Californian won second honors in 9:12 with a grapevine. The third fall went to Snyder when Poffo's manager, Bronko Lubich, entered the ring and slammed Snyder across the head and shoulders with a walking stick. Referee Lou Thomas gave Poffo and his partner in crime their walking papers. Spectators hurled cups, programs, and about everything that wasn't fastened down at the two ruffians. Police surrounded the ring to prevent serious injury to the Buckeye belter and Lubich.

In the semifinal bout, Paul Bunyan, the 8-feet 2-inch, 410 pound Seattle, Wash. giant, picked up his second straight win at the Armory by defeating Hans Hermann in a one-fall melee. Hermann weighed 275.

Carl Engstrom, 218, Chicago, scored over Zack Malkov, 215, Chicago, in another scrap, while Bill Melby, 230, Salt Lake City, pinned Johnny Gilbert, 220, Atlanta, Ga., in a walkout match. The two feature matches were televised over Ch. 4, Bloomington, and sponsored by Champagne Velvet beer. Dick (Mr. Dean) Patton was the promoter.

SHORT STORY ON BOB DEMARCE . . . BY BOB UTTER

A young man with one aim in life. . . . To win the world's junior heavyweight championship!

Starting as a pro at the age of 17, and only 33 now, Bob DeMarce has his heart and soul set on winning the 200 pound belt. He's a toughie and smart and elusive. Bob weighs 215-pounds but can get down to the weight limit for a crack at the title.

Standing 5-feet 9-inches in his stocking feet, this hard driving veteran spent almost five years in the United States Army and held several mat trophies in Southern France where he wrestled as a junior heavyweight.

DeMarce was born in Superior, Wis., where he still lives. He was an all-around athlete in high school and starred in basketball, football, baseball and track.

Duke Demetri, Cowboy Carlson, Jerry Meeker and Angelo Poffo have locked horns with Bob and claim him to be a real ruffian.

DeMarce goes in for hunting and fishing as his select hobbies and when it comes to foods he sticks with chicken and steak. This fellow is a big hit throughout the Mid-Western states.

CZAYA NANDOR . . . BY VIOLA G. MAY

Czaya Nandor has a big job to do here in America. First and foremost he must live up to his reputation as Heavyweight Champion of Hungary. Nandor spent two months in Montreal, Canada, then made his American debut in Baltimore, Maryland, in April.

Fans have expectantly awaited the ap-

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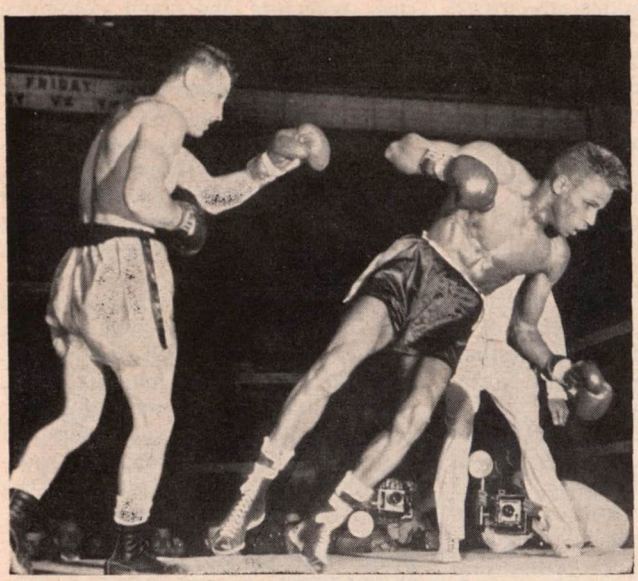
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

TOOTHPICK SPLINTERED

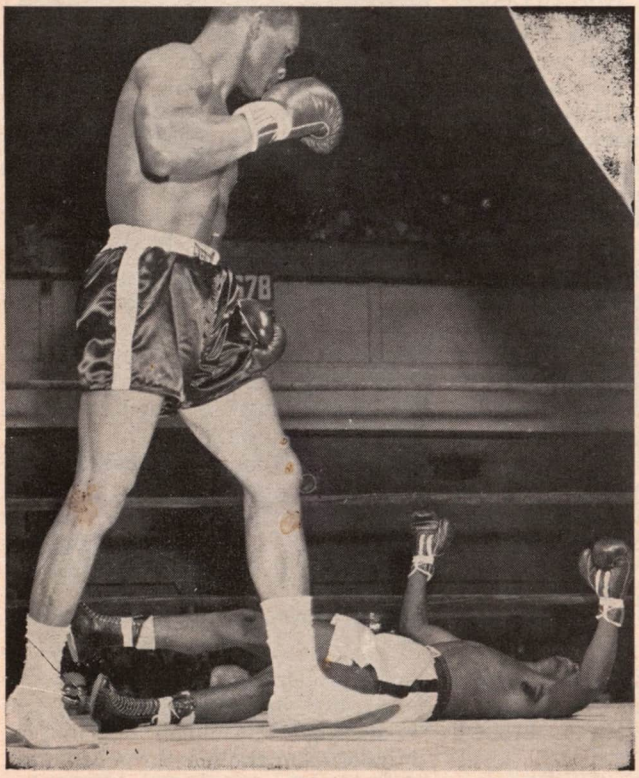


Henry (Toothpick) Brown heads for canvas after being tagged by Kenny Lane in sixth round of lightweight bout at Detroit Olympia. Referee ruled it a slip but seconds later Lane kayoed Brown. Kenny now looks for title shot.

ARCH OF TRIUMPH

Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, engaged in a victorious two-bout German campaign, decisioning Hans Kalbfell (left) in Essen and knocking out Alain Cherville in Stuttgart. Moore says he is now ready to defend title.

HINNANT HIT OUT



Harold Johnson, Philadelphia light heavyweight, strides to corner after knocking out Clarence Hinnant in first round at St. Nicholas Arena, New York. It was a sensational win for Johnson who is now on the comeback trail, seeking top honors.

BIG JIM BETWEEN ROUNDS

Jim Norris, president of the I. B. C., takes time out from the anti-trust fight, to relax with daughter Susan, 7, at Coral Gables, Fla., home. Susan won a host of ribbons (seven) and trophies (two) riding in horse show in Florida.

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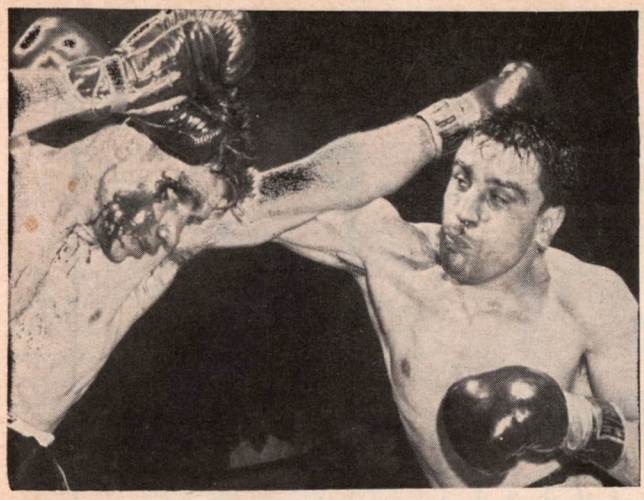
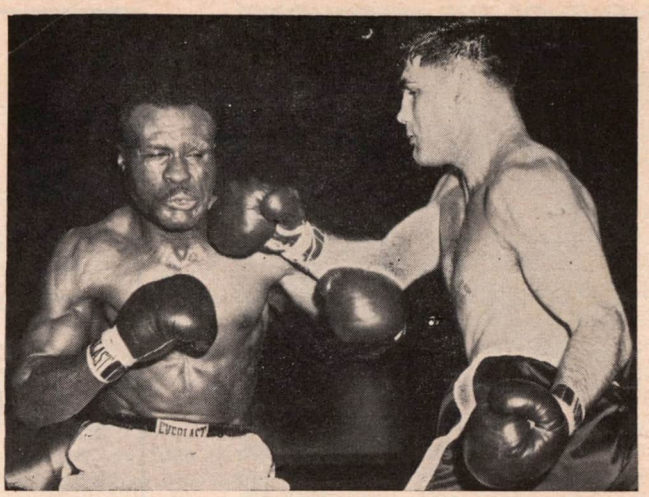


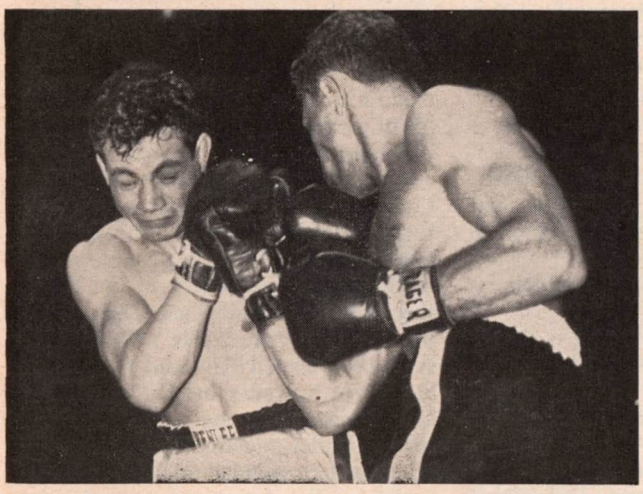
Blood streaming down his face from cut over right eye, Stefan Redl (left), Passaic, N. J., welterweight, fights back against Frankie Ippolito, going on to win ten round split decision at St. Nick. After the bout Redl headed for the Army.

WILLI-NILLY



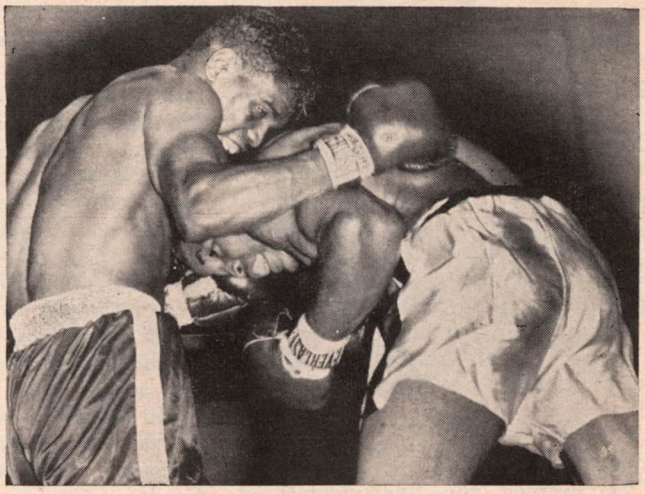
Willi Besmanoff (right), German heavyweight, pounds a hard right to jaw of Archie McBride during ten rounder at St. Nick's Arena. McBride went on to win decision. In his next start Besmanoff was defeated by Alex Miteff.

FELIX FUMBLES



Carlos Ortiz (right), New York lightweight, ran his winning streak to twenty-four when he pounded out a unanimous ten rounds decision over Felix Chiocca, of Paris, France, at Chicago Stadium. Ortiz looks like a comer.

TABLES TURNERED

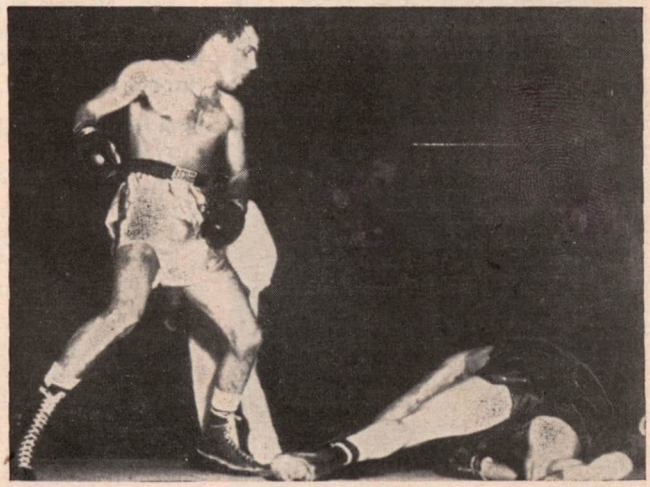


Gil Turner (right) turned the tables on Yama Bahama in their return bout, evening matters with a split ten rounds decision. Their middleweight contest was held at Miami Beach, Fla. Aggressiveness paid off for Turner.

ORTEGA TAGGED

Johnny Ortega (left), Alameda, Calif., bantamweight, gets tagged with a hard right thrown by Gaetano Annaloro in seventh round of their bout at Richmond, Calif. Ortega came back to win a split ten rounds decision from the Tunisian.

AN AMERICAN IN PARIS



Ralph Dupas, New Orleans lightweight, drops Seraphin Ferrer, French welterweight, during bout in Paris, France. Dupas appeared to have a decided edge in the battle but the official decision registered was a draw.

NEWS OF THE MAT WORLD

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pearance of someone new and different, someone who wouldn't bow and scrape, dress in gaudy ring attire or require the assistance of a lackey for skullduggery, Like a dream come true, they've found all this and more in Czaya Nandor.

He never allows his own personality to over-shadow his opponent when the TV cameras are focused in the ring. He handles himself with the usual aplomb at all times. Among his greatest assets are his personality and sense of humor. The Magyar, 27 years of age, stands 6 ft. and weighs 227 pounds.

It is human nature to rebel, rather than to accept life's difficulties, but Czaya has adjusted himself to the customs of our wonderful country and leaves behind memories (some good—others not) of his native Budapest, Hungary. This is to be his home and nothing aids success like a good reputation.

In the ring he uses the utmost concentration and dexterity combined with skill and science. Fans consider Nandor as a rugged but not a rough individual. He has proven that he has great stamina by showing a few villains just how much punishment he can take.

In his native country wrestlers live up to the word itself and rules are obeyed. Wrestlers obey the code of sportsmanship and clean breaks are the rule rather than exception. We are now speaking only of wrestling. Czaya has been wrestling for twelve years of which all have not been pro years since he trained and wrestled in high school and college.

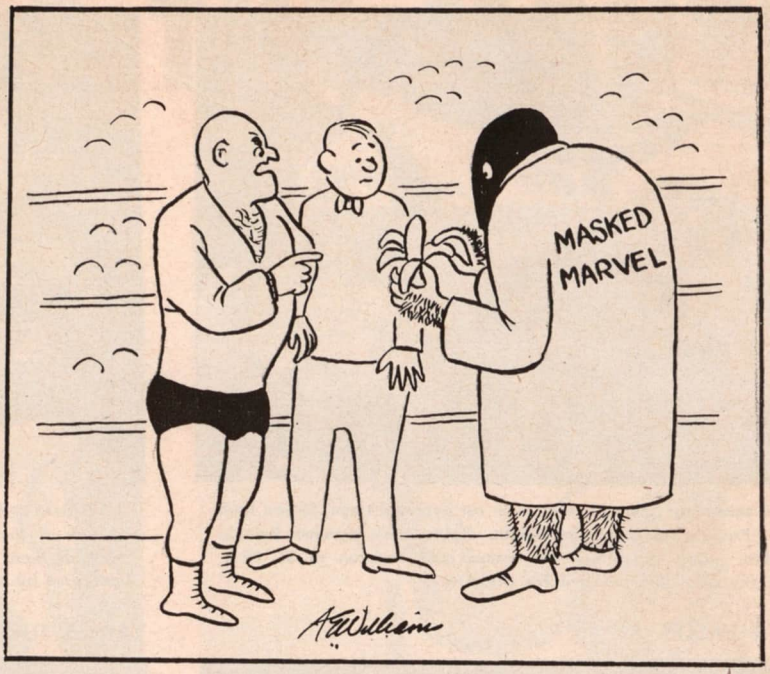
He learned the fundamentals of wrestling from his father and received most of his training from him. His father and his three uncles all held the Hungarian championship title. Czaya displays the most unusual leg and arm holds. Many are similar to the American "*catch as catch can*" style, but others are too unreal in appearance to be true. One of his favorites is a version of the mule kick which he delivers from all angles.

His gracefulness in the ring is the result of years as a dancer, both acrobatic and adagio.

He smokes in moderation but never partakes of alcoholic beverages and loves our traditional fried chicken. His family name is known throughout many countries. Singapore, India, Siam and England are a few of the places where Czaya has wrestled.

He is the only one left of his immediate family and hopes to remain here.

Let's all give this wholesome young man a rousing welcome. His wrestling will always send chills of excitement through the crowd.



"The banana does it . . . I won't wrestle until he takes off the mask."

TOM FINLEY . . . BY VINCE SALERNO

TOM FINLEY, 237, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is a professional wrestler of top calibre. Tom started weightlifting and wrestling at the age of fifteen. He is a fast heavyweight with the muscles of the hawsers that hold the QUEEN MARY and the grace and speed of a light heavy crammed into a 237 pound wrestler's body. Finley is very popular with the Philly fans. He is of Irish-American ancestry and has had over a thousand bouts in many parts of the world. In addition he has wrestled in the forty-eight States, The Fiji Islands, New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, India, South Africa and South America.

His pleasing Celtic personality has made him lasting friendships with people of many races, in the five continents.

Finley worked his way through the army ranks during World War II to the position of a First Sgt. The wrestling 'Top Kick' fought through the grueling ground-warfare, hand-to-hand battles against axis forces in the Pacific and later in General Mark Clark's landing in North Africa. He has six battle stars, the Purple Heart, and two Bronze Stars. He waived a battlefield Officer's commission preferring to remain a Sergeant. Finley practiced wrestling with other athletic-minded soldiers and kept in shape with a ten-strand super strength cable expander which he toted around the war-torn world in his barracks bag and field pack while in the fox holes and trenches. Finley's friends call him respectfully, "THE GENE TUNNEY OF WRESTLING" as the wrestler is a very learned man of University training and background.

NEWS FROM CHARLOTTE, N. C. . . . BY GENE GORDON

The Southern Tag Team Title changed hands here at Pork Center. The wild Dusek Brothers, Ernie and Emil, defeated the popular team of George and Sandy Scott to regain the Title and Trophy, which they held about three years ago. These toughies from Nebraska have been around a long time, and like old wine seem to improve with age. A rugged pair who stay in excellent condition. In the other team bout Ray Stevens and Jack Vonsky, as rough a team as this reporter has seen in quite some time, continued to look strong as they took a win over Ramon Cernodes and Irish Doran O'Hara in two straight falls.

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NEW FACES

By LEW ESKIN

SOLOMON BOYSAW

A colorful, fast punching lightweight comer from Cleveland, Solomon Boysaw has been tagged by his fans with the nickname "Buzzsaw". And aptly so, for this stockily-built five foot, six inch scrapper has the busy style of a buzzsaw.

Born in Birmingham, Ala., twenty-four years ago, Solomon is one of nine children. He has seven sisters and a brother. He moved to Cleveland as a youngster and it was while he was a student at John Hay High School that his interest first turned to boxing. Solomon competed as an amateur for three years and racked up twenty kayo triumphs while winning twenty-four of twenty-eight bouts.

Solomon served from 1953 to 1955 in the Army, spending seventeen months in Korea. He did a lot of boxing while in the service and captured a number of titles, including the Korean lightweight crown, the Eighth Army lightweight belt and the Far East Service Command 135-pound championship.

After his discharge from service he took a job as a mechanic with the Willard Battery Service and returned to the gym to get in condition for a crack at the punch-for-pay game.

A diligent gym worker, he has moved along rapidly since beginning his pro career on March 20, 1956 with a four-round kayo over Willie Epps in Cleveland. Since then he has stretched his unbeaten streak to nine in a row, including four kayoes, over Epps, Charlie Smith, Tony Grasso and Herman Hinton. Boysaw has recorded decisions over Benny Artist (twice), Nickie Gadson, Henry Hickman and Willie Dillon.

Boysaw is a fast, sharp hitter who wears down his opponents with his steady attack and he has shown ring craft far above his limited experience in turning in his victories.

JERRY DODGEN

An aggressive, twenty-one-year old junior lightweight from Gastonia, N. C., Jerry Dodgen has advanced rapidly since turning professional in April.

A native Gastonian, Jerry has been interested in boxing since he was a youngster, when he and his buddies used to fool around in a homemade back yard ring. He launched his amateur career four years ago, and compiled an impressive record, competing in over thirty-five contests and twice capturing Golden Glove titles.

In 1955, Dodgen won the Carolina lightweight championship and the following year he dropped down to add the featherweight title of the Carolinas. Both years he competed in the Eastern Tournament of Champions in New York City. In 1956 he lost in the quarter-finals on a disputed split decision to Vincent Breen, who went on not only to gain the Eastern title but the Inter-City championship as well. His fight with Jerry was the closest Breen came to defeat.

An all-around athlete in Gastonia High, Jerry was the star pitcher on the baseball team and has put in two years of fast semi-pro ball. He has been scouted by a number of teams of the major leagues who have all been impressed by his poise and ability but discouraged by his size, five-foot-seven and one hundred and thirty pounds.

"I guess they don't see me as a right handed Bobby Shantz," Jerry lamented. At the same age, Shantz was even smaller than Dodgen, but the Philadelphia A's were never sorry about taking a chance with him.

Until he turned pro, Jerry had never trained in a real gym and now has to commute to Spartanburg, S. C., a trip of over fifty miles.

A good boxer, he has a fine left jab and a swift if not stunning right hand counter. They are the offensive weapons that he feels will help to carry him up the fistic ladder. Unbeaten to-date in four bouts he has bested Jackie Alexander and Buck Earnhardt, a pair of cagey veterans. An auspicious start for an embryo champ.

YVON TURENNE

An athletic looking lad is Yvon Turenne, a five-foot-ten inch, 155-pound, blue eyed, blond-haired middleweight comer from Montreal, Canada.

Sixth in a family of ten children, he has five brothers and four sisters. Three of his brothers are also athletes. Fernand is a sulky driver on the pro-trotting circuit in Canada and upstate New York. His oldest brother, Paul, is one of Canada's top amateur wrestlers and younger brother Jean is a promising amateur lightweight boxer.

Yvon was born in Saint Henri-De-Masouche, Quebec, Canada on June 17, 1933. His family moved to Mon-

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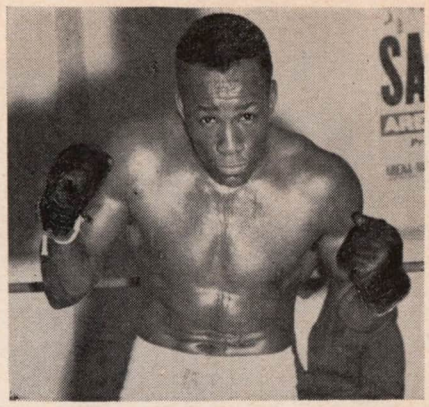
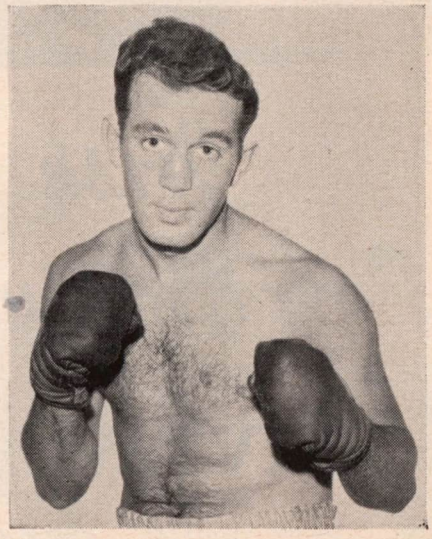


Solomon (Buzzsaw) Boysaw, fast punching lightweight from Cleveland, who won a host of amateur titles and is undefeated in nine pro starts.



Jerry Dodgen, a junior lightweight from Gastonia, N. C., has a fine left jab and a swift if not stunning right hand counter. Jerry is unbeaten in four bouts.

Yvon Turenne, the blond-haired middleweight comer from Canada now fighting out of New York City, has lost only two of his sixteen pro fights.

Below we see Pat McMurtry, left, on his way to a ten round decision over exheavyweight king Ezzard Charles in their fight at Tacoma, Washington.

Irish Pat McMurtry Heavyweight Threat

By BOB McGUIRE

McMurtry emulating a pose that Jack Dempsey used to be fond of employing when setting up for the photog boys.

TACOMA, WASH.—Irish Pat McMurtry's defeat by Willie Pastrano in their ten rounder here last August neither slowed up nor discouraged the local heavyweight. The bout with Willie tried to rush Patrick a bit too fast. Not that he was whipped most decisively.

A crowd of 11,000 roared with excitement as the local boy rocked Pastrano with a solid right in the second and shook him up again with a left hook in the seventh round. But on neither occasion was McMurtry able to follow through with the pay-off punch that would have put the New Orleans boxer on the deck.

The Irish youngster is still a year away from the role of heavyweight contender and he needs a series of stiff bouts against the spoilers of the unlimited division. But this Harp appears to be on the way and by next winter the Celts from Boston to the Mission in San Francisco will have something to shout about.

Against Pastrano, McMurtry weighed in at 178½, some seven pounds under his best weight. He appeared drawn and highly nervous in facing his first ranking opponent. The loss itself did Pat no harm, as Northwest fans are solidly with him and most great fighters lost one or two on the way up. Since the Pastrano fight, Pat kayoed Joey Rowan and Ruben Vargas, and decisioned Edgardo Romero.

Few remember Jack Johnson's being kayoed by a fighter named Klondike in Chicago, Jack Dempsey being stretched by Fireman Jim Flynn in a round at Salt Lake, or Bob Fitzsimmons being kayoed by Jem Hall in four at Sydney.

In time, the Pastrano loss very likely will be a dim memory to McMurtry fans. The Pastrano fight was close. Judge Ples Irwin had it 99-96, Judge Al Whitman had it 98-94 and referee Davey Ward scored it 96-95, all for Pastrano.

The gate was $56,250, a shade below what McMurtry drew with Ezzard Charles a month earlier.

Following the fight, father-manager Clarence McMurtry took Pat to Canada on a moose hunting trip. After a brief vacation he plans an early return to the ring. The entire McMurtry clan is very close and whatever Pat's future ring problems are they will never be of the night club variety for he is an exceptionally clean living athlete and is happily married.

Pat and his wife Phyllis still reside unpretentiously in Tacoma. They have a 20-month old daughter, Shannon. Pat's principal recreation is fishing and hunting.

Left to right: Clarence McMurtry, Pat's father and manager; Mrs. Clarence McMurtry, his mother; Mrs. Pat McMurtry; ten month old daughter Shannon and Pat himself. Back row: Miss Carol Pick, fiancee of Mike, and Mike McMurtry.

Pat enjoyed a long and successful career in the amateurs, winning 103, drawing one and losing two. In the Nationals in Boston he broke his right in the semi-finals and this ring injury is the only really dark cloud on the McMurtry pugilistic horizon. He broke it again with a right hand shot to tough Bob Albright's head in the third round of a hectic main event in Seattle. Pat had to go the rest of the way with only the left, to gain a draw. This is the toughest battle in Pat's book.

The boy is light as heavyweights go but he is tall and rangy, standing 6 ft. 1½ ins. and carrying most of his 185 pounds upstairs, with the broad sloping shoulders characteristic of the puncher. A knockout punch, and boxing class, make this Irish youngster a real heavyweight prospect. The Pastrano bout was his twenty-third pro fight. The record reads 24 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. Of the 24 wins, 20 were by knockout.

The McMurtry clan boasts another heavyweight star, Pat's younger brother Mike, age 23 and a veteran of 110 amateur bouts, of which he won 87. Mike, until recently a student at Idaho State College and a star of their boxing team, plans to turn pro after his stretch in the armed forces.

Mike won the intercollegiate and Pacific Coast Conference heavyweight titles.

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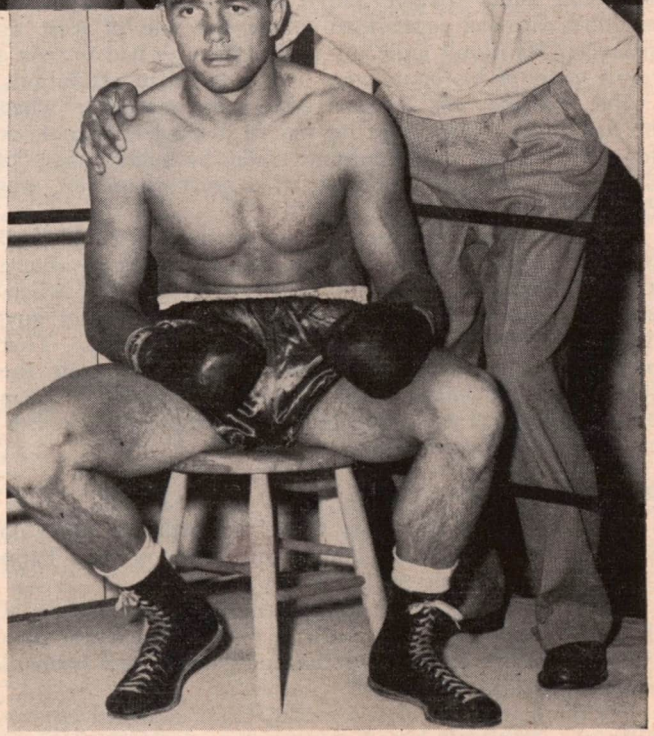


Pat as he looks to opponents before the opening bell. Acting as a second is his manager—and father—Clarence.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

UNTIL Joe Louis came along, Johnny Kilbane boasted the longest uninterrupted reign of any world champion in modern boxing.

Kilbane, who died recently at 68 in his native Cleveland, bossed the featherweight division for eleven years, three months and eight days. His rule began February 22, 1912, when he trounced the veteran Abe Attell in twenty rounds at Tom McCarey's arena in Vernon, Cal., and ended June 2, 1923 when he came out of virtual retirement to be flattened by the Frenchman, Eugene Criqui, in the sixth round at New York's Polo Grounds.

For sheer boxing wizadry, Kilbane rated with the all-time greats of the ring. When he finally hung up the gloves, after 142 professional bouts, he was unmarked by any scars of his rugged trade. Prematurely gray, Johnny looked more like a prosperous business executive than an ex-fighter.

During his busy career, it wasn't often the populace was privileged to see Kilbane give his best. Johnny operated in an era when no-decision bouts were prevalent throughout most of the United States, and he seldom found it necessary to exert himself. So long as he could keep his opponent under control, and it was rare indeed when he couldn't, he was content to follow the line of least resistance. He didn't fight any harder than he had to. As a result many of his bouts were little more than exhibitions.

But Kilbane was a remarkable ring mechanic when he had to be. Any time he was in a dangerous spot, or his title was at stake, Johnny could be relied upon to display the stuff of which he, as a great champion, was capable.

A sharpshooter, Kilbane was one fighter who could "call his shot" when he wanted. As a rule, he didn't go after a knockout, preferring to outbox his opponent, but whenever the occasion required him to finish the other guy, he seldom needed more than one punch to do it. That punch usually was a right that flashed out with the speed, accuracy and finality of a cobra's thrust. There have been few, if any, more proficient one-punch demolishers than John Patrick Kilbane.

QUICK FINISHES.

Typical of what the shifty Cleveland Irishman could do when he wanted was the job he turned in on Irish Patsy Cline in Philadelphia in 1916.

Cline, a New Yorker, was something of a sensation at the time. Amazingly fast, both of foot and of hand, Irish Patsy had beaten Johnny Dundee and given Benny Leonard two sizzling arguments.

For the better part of two rounds Cline swarmed all over Kilbane. With all his cleverness, the champion seemed bewildered by the New Yorker's dazzling speed. This sort of thing was not at all to Kilbane's liking. Johnny had figured on a nice pleasant boxing exhibition, and he didn't intend to be made a chump of by this brash young upstart. His pride ruffled, he decided to teach Cline a lesson.

Toward the end of the second round, Kilbane measured Cline with a left, and, whang! over went the right. That's all there was.

Then, in 1919, there was that historic "Teddy Edwards' Night" in Jersey City's old baseball yard, West Side Park, when Kilbane was paired with Frankie Burns.

Frank Hague, mayor of Jersey City and state Democratic leader, was sponsoring Edward I. Edwards for governor. An ardent sportsman, Hague realized the tremendous publicity possibilities offered by an important fight, and he set about arranging one.

As the community's oustanding fighter, Burns was selected for one-half the main event. What better opponent for him than a world champion? Hague supported the main even with popular local attractions, and charged "bargain" rates of $2 for ringside and $1 for general admission.

The returns exceeded the mayor's fondest expectations. The show not only received tremendous publicity, but not even Hague himself anticipated the deluge of humanity that descended on the old ball park. Not enough police had been assigned to patrol the premises. The official attendance was announced as 46,800—then the largest crowd that had ever paid to see a prizefight anywhere in the world—but the total was even larger than the box-office count. With not enough cops to head off the scramble, it was estimated that at least 5,000 non-payees crashed the gates and clambered over fences to get into the park.

The Kilbane-Burns bout was a dull thing for four rounds. Fine little ringman though he was, Burns was outclassed, but Kilbane, appreciating Frankie's hometown popularity, didn't want to beat him too badly. Johnny tried to make things close, but the fans didn't like his efforts. They howled for action. A couple of times Referee Harry Ertle warned Kilbane to "open up and fight." There was only one way Johnny could oblige, and finally he did. He made it as quick and painless as possible. In the fifth, one shot—that deadly right—spilled Burns for the only knockout Frankie ever suffered.

ONLY TWO MISTAKES.

In his busy career, Kilbane made only two serious mistakes. The first was in 1917 when he became too ambitious and tried his luck with the new lightweight champion, Benny Leonard, in Philadelphia. The second was in 1923 when, 34 and away from ring competition nearly two years, he was inveigled into defending the featherweight title against Criqui in New York.

The cocky Kilbane honestly believed he could beat Leonard. Stacking his speed and cleverness against heavier opponents had become something of a habit with the Clevelander, and he had done well for himself against such top

lightweights as Freddie Welsh, Richie Mitchell, Charley White and Rocky Kansas. Then, too, he had boxed Leonard two years before at Atlantic Garden in New York, and hadn't been impressed too favorably with the youngster.

What Kilbane didn't, or wouldn't, realize was that the Leonard of 1917, now a world champion, was a vastly improved mechanic over the ambitious 19-year-old-kid Johnny remembered from their previous meeting.

Boxing bouts in those no-decision days in Philadelphia were limited to six rounds, and over that short distance Kilbane was certain he could outspeed and outsmart the heavier Leonard.

Johnny was in for a violent shock. Leonard knocked him out in the third.

Although he hadn't officially relinquished the title, Kilbane, to all intents and purposes, had retired from the ring after successfully defending his laurels by tossing a seven-round knockout into the Britisher, Danny Frush, in Cleveland in September, 1921. He had become interested in other activities in the Forest City and didn't look as though he'd fight again.

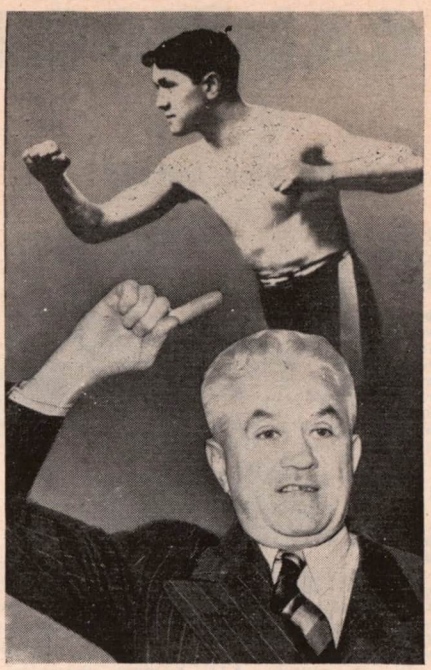
Then, in the spring of 1923, Tom O'Rourke, promoting a series of championship fights for the Polo Grounds in New York, wired Kilbane an offer to risk his title against Criqui in June. The offer was reported to be $75,000, a fabulous figure at the time for a featherweight champion. It was too tempting for Kilbane to refuse. He came out of retirement, but it was a ring rusty, tired old man who went down to defeat in six rounds before the French war hero.

BUSY MAN ABOUT CLEVELAND.

Although his own competitive career ended with that disastrous episode, Kilbane continued active in boxing in and around Cleveland, refereeing, instructing and operating a gymnasium. For a while he ran a health farm near Vermillion, O. He gradually drifted into politics. He served as a boxing instructor in the Cleveland public schools, worked in the county engineer's office and was a payroll investigator on the district attorney's staff. He was elected to a two-year term in the Ohio State senate and until his passing had put in five years as clerk of Cleveland's Municipal Court.

Kilbane never lost his interest in boxing. He was a fairly constant attendee at Larry Atkins' promotions in Cleveland, and kept well posted, via television and the newspapers, on ring activities throughout the rest of the nation.

A grand guy, a great boxer, and a real credit to the sport was John Patrick Kilbane.



Johnny Kilbane (top) as world featherweight champion; (below) as popular politician in his native Cleveland.

THE month's results:

The uncertainties of sock market operations were never more graphically illustrated than by the disappointing showing of Billy Besmanoff, 195, Germany, in a listless ten with Archie McBride, 186, Trenton, N. J., at the St. Nicholas Arena. In previous outings at the West 66th Street swatatorium, Besmanoff had displayed impressive form in beating Calvin (Bang Bang) Wilson and Bob Baker. Against McBride, however, the German was slow and sluggish, his punches lacked authority, and his two-handed combinations were conspicuous by their absence. It may have been that Besmanoff, after beating a top name like Baker, held McBride too cheaply, and by the time he realized his error he couldn't get started. Only once in the ten rounds did Billy display any signs of snapping out of his lethargy. Just before the bell ended the eighth stanza, he staggered McBride with a left hook to the chin, but that represented his sole effective moment of the fight. McBride, meanwhile, uncovered one of his better performances. The Trenton veteran boxed well, punched fast, and was especially strong in the infighting. Pat O'Brien, 146, Brantford, Ont., whipped Artie Cintron, 140, Harlem, in the semi-final six. Iggy Maldonado, 131, Puerto Rico, decisioned Georgie (Baby Beau Jack) Seabrook, 129, Bronx, in another six. In fours, Primo Arellano, 128, Brooklyn, outpointed Jimmy Ithia, 127, Bronx; Guy Fatta, 129, stopped a fellow-Brooklynite, Gene Tyler, at 2:04 of the first, and George Patunas, 125½, Bayonne, N. J., halted Tommy Kelly, 124, West Side, at 2:49 of the second.

▶Lumbering along with his usual clumsy but durable persistency, Wayne Bethea, 201½, Bronx, proved too strong and rugged for lanky Paul Andrews, 190½, Buffalo, in a gruelling if unexciting ten at St. Nicholas Arena. A better boxer and sharper puncher, Andrews was well in front at the end of seven rounds. He had repeatedly shaken up Bethea with left hooks to the jaw and right counters to the body and head. But the tireless Bronxite continued to plod forward, and his pushing, tugging and mauling in the clinches eventually told on Andrews, who faded rapidly in the last three rounds and was a mighty tired young man at the finish. His strong rally in the last three sessions earned Bethea the decisions of Referee Petey Della and Judge Leo Birnbaum, but the other judge, Bill Forst, didn't agree and voted for Andrews. Joe Lissy, 151, Yorkville, outpointed Danny Russo, 151, Brooklyn, in a free-swinging semi-final six. Another six resulted in a draw between Frank Figueroa, 130¼, Puerto Rico, and Richie Argo, 132, Baltimore. In fours, Floyd McCoy, 171¼, Staten Island, whipped Eddie Bramlett, 175, Harlem, and Eddie Jordan, 145¼, Brooklyn, accounted for the only knockout of the night when he stopped Andre Savage, 147, Canada, at 2:13 of the second.

▶After two months of inactivity in Madison Square Garden—and facing another two months of the same—the International Boxing Club "borrowed" a Friday night at St. Nicholas Arena and presented a light-heavyweight bout between Harold Johnson, 176½, Philadelphia, and Clarence Hinnant, 173, Washington, D. C. It was a short-lived affair. The stylish, sharpshooting Johnson, appearing in a New York ring for the first time in nearly two and a half years, must have been in a hurry to get home. He used less than half a round to dispose of Hinnant. One blasting right, following a measuring left jab, dumped Clarence on his back. The Washingtonian tried to get up at seven but toppled forward as Referee Arthur Mercante counted him out. In the semi-final six, Tony DeCola, 149, Brooklyn, was credited with a knockout over Ray Apollo, 148½, Newark, when a nasty gash over Apollo's left eye brought the bout to a close at the end of the fourth. In two other sixes, Mike Spatora, 134½, Brooklyn, outpointed a borough rival, Bobby Jackson, 130, and Bill Flamio, 146, Bronx, had the better of Eddie Prince, 145½, Poughkeepsie. In fours, Bernie Jones, 129½, Harlem, won from Roland Kellam, 131, Bronx; George Patunas, 125½, Newark, decisioned Cleo Ortiz, 126, Puerto Rico, and Benny Antonetti, 145, Puerto Rico, was the winner in a West Indian pairing with Felix Machado, 148, Cuba.

▶Badly gashed over the right eye in the third round, and with the ever imminent threat of the bout being halted. Stefan Redl, 145½, the transplanted Hungarian-German now living in Passaic, N. J., extended his American record to fifteen straight wins by outlasting Frank Ippolito, 141½, in a gory, roughhouse ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Redl fought in his usual aggressive, helter-skelter style, his strength and stamina proving the deciding issue. The rip above Redl's eye bled so profusely that Dr. Alex Schiff checked it four times between rounds, but decided the damage looked worse than it actually was. Redl's handlers finally managed to stem the flow of blood after the sixth round. Ippolito, meanwhile, was spilling gore from his nose, and between them the rivals smeared each other, the referee and the ring canvas with unholy splotches of crimson. It was a close fight until the seventh when Redl's strength began to tell. Jimmy Scalero, 138½, Stamford, Conn., was winner over Tommy Nethercott, 134½, Port Chester, N. Y., in the semi-final six. In fours, Mark Kavanagh, 137, Elmont, N. Y., outpointed Julie Vadl, 141, Jersey City; Tony Cambria, 158½, Reading, Pa., won from Willie Hartley, 156½, West Side; Richie Hill, 164½, Bronx, stopped Joe Myles, 161, Washington, D. C., at 1:28 of the fourth and Tony Pio, 146, Bayonne, N. J., disposed of Mike Castro, 142, Brooklyn, at 1:54 of the second.

▶With bustling aggressiveness, featuring a lusty though erratic left hook, Alex Miteff, 202¼, Argentina, pounded his way to a decision over Billy Besmanoff, 190½, Germany, in a brawling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was Miteff's first start in the ring since his honeymoon in South America, and gave the 1955 Pan-American champion a record of nine straight wins as a professional. Alex was too industrious for the plegmatic Besmanoff. The German appeared in better form than he was against Archie McBride in the same ring three weeks before, but he was too defensive-minded. He punched fast and authoratively when he did elect to fight, but he didn't elect often enough. His flurries were rare and brief. For the most part Billy seemed content to let Miteff set the pace and crowd him against the ropes and into corners. Miteff concentrated on a body attack, and scored heavily with left hooks, but his punching was something less than accurate. He repeatedly dropped blows below the belt, but Referee Teddy Martin ignored the many low shots. At the finish Besmanoff was bleeding from the nose and several nicks around both eyes. Miteff was cut alongside the left eye. Eddie Lynch, 150¼, West Side, decisioned Pat O'Brien, 144½, Ireland, in the semi-final six. Rudy Sawyer, 149½, Harlem, whipped Julie Jamison, 144¾, Wappinger Falls, N. Y., in another six. In fours, Bobby Sanchez, 139, Bronx, won from Freddie Vasquez, 136½, Puerto Rico; Gene Toran, 138, outfought a rival Philadelphian, Tommy Reed, 139, and Joe Werba, 218½, West Side, chalked up the only knockout on the card by stopping Phil Ricco, 178½, Italy, at 2:36 of the first.

A POPULAR NAME RETURNS . . . After drifting away from the limelight for nearly a quarter-century, Humbert J. (Jack) Fugazy is back in action, this time with Fugazy Travel Bureau, a family organization. . . .

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

FIRST outdoor scrap of 1957 in these parts attracted a crowd estimated at 13,000, and they certainly got their money's worth for they saw underdog Jose Luis Cotero, 126, score a sensational 7th round knockout over the Mexico City knocker-outer, Pajarito Moreno.

Gross gate was $86,908; the net, $75,064. Both boys received the largest purses of their careers. Moreno, with 35 per cent of the loot, picked up a check for $25,047, and Cotero's end was $12,500.

As for the fight itself, it was a thriller all the way and had the scribes digging into their dictionaries for adjectives. There was blood enough to satiate the most gore-thirsty. Cotero suffered a deep gash over his right eye, and his chin was also cut. He entered the ring a 10-7 underdog, a tribute to Moreno's spectacular record of 28 knockouts in 31 fights.

What made the finish all the more sensational was the fact that shortly after the 7th round began, Referee Mushy Callahan stopped the fight to examine Cotero's gashed eye, then somewhat hesitantly permitted it to continue. Sensing a possible halt of hostilities, Cotero drove Moreno into the ropes with a savage barrage of lefts and rights to the head; then scoring with a smashing right to the jaw. Down went Moreno, while pandemonium reigned. He made no effort to arise; he was too tired to get up.

John (Mirror-News) Hall, the only local scribe to pick Cotero, predicted that Jose Luis would end the scrap somewhere between the 5th and 8th rounds. There was the usual aftermath of second-guessing. Those who had been highest in their praise of Pajarito launched into superlatives about Cotero. And turned thumbs down on Moreno.

I don't go along with either appraisal. Back in 1944 a sensational young Mexican named Enrique Bolanos was knocked out in the 6th round by bantam Champ Manuel Ortiz. "Send him back to Mexico," said the wise guys. But Bolanos went onward and upward from there, fought Ike Williams three times for the lightweight title (they drew $108,000, $153,000 and $108,000).

Bolanos was managed by shrewd George Parnassus, who is the American representative of Pajarito Moreno. History may repeat itself; this kid can fight.

Certainly one kayo doesn't end a fighter's career. If it did, where would Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis, Mickey Walker, Benny Leonard and scores of other great scrappers be?

Any kid who can attract a gate of $86,000 in his second appearance in Los Angeles merits a heap of attention. Moreno has "socks" appeal; he's a puncher, a colorful and willing worker, and there's the invaluable element of suspense when he enters the ring. There's electricity in the air when he fights.

All three of the officials—Referee Mushy Callahan, Judges Tommy Hart and Dynamite Jackson—had Cotero ahead on points at the end of the sixth round.

In the six-round semi-windup, Rudy Coronado, 125, stablemate of Pajarito, survived a 5th round knockdown to battle a draw with Dwight Hawkins, 124.

The four-rounders: Jimmy Jackson, 136½, dec. Little Firpo, 138; Eddie Gaspora, 132, KO (4) over Joey Armstrong, 134; and Joe Shaw, 132½, dec. Tommy Carlin, 132½.

▶From Jerry Mullany comes this report: Referee Johnny Bassanelli become target No. 1 for critics when he stopped a close fight in the final round with but 20 seconds to go. He awarded a TKO to El Conscripto, Mexican welterweight, over Leonard Gaines of San Francisco. They were headliners at Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento. Weights: Conscripto, 139, Gaines, 137.

The Sacramento Boxing Club, showing on a Thursday night with two out-of-town battlers, failed to show a profit with a scant gathering paying $1039 gross. Favorite boxoffice menu in Sacramento had been a hometowner fighting a well known "invader" on Tuesday night.

Gaines landed most of the punches, but his best shots did not seem to bother Conscripto. Conscripto put Gaines down in the tenth, and Leonard just did beat the ten count. It was then the referee halted proceedings. Gaines' handlers protested vigorously, as did many fans. Point score at the close of the ninth was 88-86 for Conscripto.

In a fast eight-rounder, Chu Chu Mejia, 125, Mexico, won the verdict over Tony Ganados, 124, Manila. Four-round prelims: Chuck Collins, 137, dec. Dave McConnell, 160; Ray Thomas, 136, drew with Al Carroll, 132.

▶When Richmond boxing enthusiasts were shouting "Annie Laurie," they were not trying to sing a Scottish song. Italian names being hard to pronounce, this was the equivalent used by most the spectators shouting encouragement to Gaetano Annaloro in his sizzling ten rounder with Johnny Ortega at the Richmand Auditorium. Ortega won a split decision. Weights: Ortega, 115; Annaloro, 118½.

Gross gate was $2565. Promoter: Jimmy Cosenza.

Referee Vern Bybee scored it 97-95 for Ortega. Judge Eddie James voted Ortega, 98-95. Judge Johnny Lotsey picked Annaloro, 97-95.

The former European bantam contender used his vast experience to keep out of trouble, especially in the last three rounds, which he fought with his right eye closed. His Oakland opponent had his left hook working accurately to both head and body.

In six rounds, AAU bantam champion Herman Marquez, 121, of Stockton, outpointed Freddie Viscarra, 122, S.F. It was Marquez' third straight triumph.

Four rounders: Leo Marino, 183, drew with Ernest Benard, 195; Al Moore, 139, dec. Bob Miller, 143.

▶Some of the fans booed, and one writer called it a "foot race." But Frankie Daniels landed often enough on dangerous Bob Satterfield to get a draw verdict from the referee. However, two judges voted for Satterfield, who took the decision after ten rounds at Sacramento's Memorial Auditorium. Weights: Satterfield, 186; Daniels, 184.

The program promoted by the Sacramento Boxing Club drew $2828 gross.

All the solid blows in the contest were landed by Chicago Bob. His opponent (from Bakersfield, Calif.) kept flicking left jabs as he circled and retreated.

Three years before Satterfield had KO'd Frankie in seven rounds. This time Daniels never stood still long enough for Bob to follow up when he made a direct hit.

Point score: Referee Johnny Basanelli, 97-97; Judge Art Williams, 97-94; Judge Pete Morelli, 98-95.

There were three six rounders. Felix Mann, 176, Salinas, dec. Teddy Martin, 171, Sacramento. John Carroll, 185, L.A., outpointed George Kennedy, 200, Fresno. Willie Lewis, 154, Sacramento, took the verdict from Natie Spellman, 152, Oakland. Vic Cardo, 139, dec. Ray Thomas, 136, in 4.

▶Youthful Paul Armstead—he's only 19—scored a smashing upset at Hollywood Legion Stadium when he sent heavily favored Kid Centella to the showers in the 8th round of a scheduled ten-spot. Armstead, 134½; Centella, 133. It was a big win for the youngster, quite a setback for the Nicaraguan. Gross gate was $4150. Betting boys had established Centella favorite at 3-1.

Centella suffered a gashed right eye in the second round. It bled profusely and in Round 8 the wound had become enlarged to such an extent that the club medic, Dr. Benson, advised a cessation of hostilities. It was Armstead's 17th pro fight, and his 14th win.

This was Centella's 7th local start; his first fight at Hollywood Legion Stadium. At the Olympic, the Nicaraguan had won five of his six starts, four by kayo.

In the semi-final, a six-rounder, Charlie Black, 166, won the unanimous verdict over Cal Houston, 163½, a mild upset. The fours: Leon Mitchell, 139, dec. Joe Tarin, 133; Hurricane Simms, 164, duked Exter Wilkerson, 161; and Richie McLane, 148, triumped over Jimmy Plair, 149.

▶Lulu Perez, who hails from Brooklyn, punched himself into local popularity by scoring a 5-round TKO over Julian Velasquez, who had entered the ring at the Olympic Auditorium a 10-8 favorite.

It was Lulu's first fight since last August, and the victory puts him in line for a possible meeting with Cisco Andrade.

Perez didn't start percolating until the third round. From then on he was in command, scoring two knockdowns in the 5th, both with right-crosses. Perez weighed 134; Velasquez, 133. This bout was blacked out.

In the televised ten, youthful Artie Dixon, Harold Wade's pride and joy, won impressively over Bill Tate. Both boys weighed in at 161. The six-round semi was taken by DeWitt Lewis, 153; his victim was Ike Jenkins, 156½.

The fours: Red Emery, 136½, dec. Tommy Raven, 138½, and Abe Villa, 115, boxed one of those "technical" draws with Nick Sanders, 118. They butted heads in Round 1; Villa's forehead was gashed.

▶Fighting his tenth pro fight, Jimmy Hornsby, 137, scored something of an upset at the Olympic Auditorium by defeating Rudy Jordan, 138½, in the 10-round feature. It was a unanimous verdict. A 9th round knockdown scored by Hornsby put the fight on ice.

Referee Charley Randolph voted 98-91; Judge Jimmy Wilson, 98-92, and Judge Tommy Herman, 98-95. Betting odds favored Jordan, 10-7. Jordan boxed from a normal stance the first five rounds and reverted to his southpaw stance from the sixth round on. It didn't help.

Ray Copeland, 135½, got the split decision over Jimmy Feaster, 135½, in the six-round semi, another good fight.

The fours: Eddy Jones, 150½, dec. Emanuel Jefferson, 157½; Richard Robinson, 128½, KO (2) over Kid Kamva, 129½; and Freeman Dailey, 145, dec. John McGraw, 145.

▶Sid Ziff, sports ed. of the Mirror-News, points out that the State Athletic Commission didn't get much for the $85,000 it spent on the recent boxing probe.

"The California boxing probe," says Sid, "wound up about the way these things generally do. The State spent $85,000 for which it got the licenses of Babe McCoy, L. A. matchmaker, and Jimmy Murray, Oakland promoter."

▶Joe Stanley, well-known boxing figure, manager of Billy Peacock, was listed by police as a probable suicide when he threw himself under the wheels of a freight train. He was decapitated. Tax difficulties and personal problems were given as the cause.

Three years ago, Harry Gordon, former partner of Stanley, shot and kill himself following a prolonged sickness.

Stanley steered Peacock into the North American bantam title four years ago, and two years later Peacock was the hero of a sensational 3-round knockout over Raton Macias of Mexico, current N.B.A. bantamweight champ.

Stanley was 59; his real name was Joseph Stanley Quatle.

▶Jerry Mullany reports: Chico Vejar, aspirant for the middleweight contenders' circle, finds many formidable battlers blocking his path. One of these inflicted a sharp setback to the plans of the Stamford, Conn., battler, when Joey Giambra scored a TKO over Chico in the seventh round. They clashed at the Civic Auditorium in Oakland. Weights: Giambra, 160; Vejar, 158½.

Approximately 7000 fans attended, paying $18,728 gross, and serving notice that heretofore inactive Oakland is back on California's major boxing circuits.

The few times that Buffalo's Joey let up in his punching, busy Vejar got in bunches of hard wallops. When Joey found the aggressive policy was paying off, he took no "rest periods." Result was that Vejar was taking too many, and Referee Frankie Carter did the wise thing in halting proceedings at :39 of the seventh session.

It was the ninth straight victory for Giambra.

Rocky Fumerelle, 155, San Francisco, TKO'd Red Lite, 154, Presidio soldier, in the third. They were slated for six.

Four rounders: Tony Moss, 153, dec. Julian Valdes, 149; Otis Tugwell, 160; outpointed Jay Laupher, 163; Willie King, 146, KO'd Dick McGhee, 145, in 1.

▶Former state lightweight champ Don Jordan, 140½, had a soft touch at Hollywood Legion Stadium. It took him only 2 minutes and 39 seconds to stow away Jess Bogart, allegedly from Monterrey, Mexico.

Cal Whorton of the TIMES didn't spare the horses in his description of the scrap. He wrote:

"As a main event this one was no contest. Several ringsiders who had coughed up for

choice seats stormed down to ringside after the farce to inquire where they could go to get their money back. Actually, the main event was that bad."

There was sharp criticism of the mismatch from other scribes.

Had the gentlemen of the press studied Nat Fleischer's boxing bible for 1957, they could have ascertained from Bogart's record, page 435, that he was no match for Jordan. Last year, for instance, Bogart was knocked out in the 4th round by one Solis Scott. The amazing thing about this was that Solis Scott had himself been flattened four times in a row prior to his kayo over Bogart.

Eddie Cato, 224½, scored a 3rd round TKO over Johnny Mays, 196, in the semi, slated for six. Mays' left eye was cut.

The fours: Boots Monroe, 126, TKO (4) over Pico Campo, 119½; Bobby Sand, 169, KO (3) over Joe Mack, 167, and Eddie Gilbert, 159, dec. Roxell Mosley, 150. In an extra four-rounder following the "main event," Art Lopez, 151, KO (4) over Baby Canto Robleto, 143½.

▶ Willie Ritchie, former world's champion, called it the most action-filled battle between lightweights he ever saw. He was referring to the clash between Paolo Rosi and Leo Alonzo, in which two badly battered warriors had to settle for a draw.

The crowd of 4500, satisfactory by ordinary arena standards, looked small in the cavernous Cow Palace. Gross was $11,052. A portion of the receipts went to the Salesian Boys Club. Co-promoters were Abe Acquistapace and Jim Pusateri.

Alonzo, a sharp counter-puncher, was able to land often on the forward-moving Italian, and twice put the high-ranking contender on the deck. The Filipino battered Rosi to the canvas for 7 in the sixth and no count in the ninth.

Rosi was also "dishing it out," and Alonzo was the worst battered of the two at the finale.

Referee Vern Bybee scored it for Alonzo, 96-94; Judge Jack Downey had it 98-93 for Rosi. Judge Frankie Carter called it even, 95-95.

Jack Parelli, 137, Oakland, TKO'd Marvin Marcus, 137, Fresno, in the first. They were slated for six.

Another scheduled six was short-circuited when Freddie Viscarra, 123, won in the fourth over Dave Midel, 126. Midel suffered a badly cut left eye.

Results of fours: Bob Miller, 147, dec. Julian C. Valdes, 148; Bobby Gray, 129, outpointed Billy Thomas, 129.

▶ Jerry Mullany reports: The Oakland baseball park, which used to be the locale of outdoor fistic gigantics, is no more. Wrecking operations on the stands have just been completed, and the park will become an industrial property.

The premises were abandoned when Oakland left the Pacific Coast League, and the baseball franchise moved to Vancouver, Canada.

One of the last big fistic programs held at the park had Max Baer opposing K. O. Christner. The Akron walloper was then in the "top ten," and when Baer knocked him out, it put Max close to the contender's circle. Baer won the heavyweight title shortly afterwards.

▶ In company with other free-loaders, had lunch at Joe Chastek's justly celebrated Vagabond House, and immediately thereafter took in the preview of "Monkey On My Back." It's the story of Barney Ross' grim scrap with dope addiction. I found it most interesting, since I've known Barney from the days he was a prelim kid.

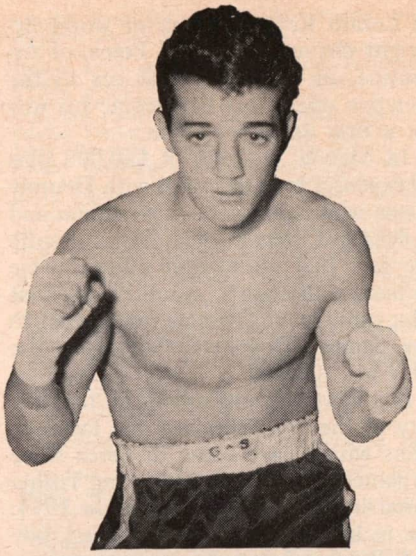
Two minor criticisms: one, as John Hall of the Mirror-News pointed out, Barney returns to his dressing-room after losing the title to Henry Armstrong, completely alone, except for trainer and manager. That never happens in real life. Win or lose, an ex-champ is always surrounded by gents of the press after the fight.

The other: as usual, there are ladies in the dressing room after the fight. As usual in films, I mean. I've been around boxing, man and boy, for many long years. And I've yet to see any female in a dressing-room.

Some day the film folk will get a technical adviser who'll REALLY advise.

But these are small matters. Take in the picture, first chance you get. You'll find it rewarding and interesting, but not amusing. It isn't meant to be. It's a terrible chapter in the life of one of the best fighters it has been my privilege to know.

▶ Alfredo Escobar, 129½, racked up his 12th straight pro win at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A., over Al Wilcher, 126. The latter started strongly but wilted midway in the scrap. Officials were unanimous: Referee Mushy Callahan, 95-90; Judge John Thomas, 98-92; and Judge Russ Bradford, 97-92.



Joey Giambra, ranking Buffalo, N. Y., middleweight, stopped Chico Vejar in the seventh round of their bout at the Civic Auditorium, Oakland. It was the ninth straight win for Giambra.

Twelve wins in twelve starts for Alfredo. That's a 1.000 batting average in any league.

In the six-round semi, Jimmy Lassiter, 130, scored the unanimous decision over Enrique Morales, 130.

The fours: Steve Limon, 132, dec. Gene Jose, 131; and Bobby Sand, 163, dec. Jeff Jones, 160½.

▶ From Jerry Mullany: Body punching, often called a neglected technique among current battlers, was the key to Luke Easter's victory over Memo Baltazares. The San Francisco lightweight uncorked a right to the stomach to kayo the Mexico City lad in 1.44 of the fourth round of a scheduled ten at the Auditorium in Richmond. Weights: Easter, 134; Baltazares, 133.

Promoter Jimmy Cosenza's box office tally was 1913 fans paying $2955 gross.

Baltazares scored his share of heavy wallops in the first three sessions, though he lost each of these rounds. Fans who looked away momentarily from the ring action in the fourth were surprised to see Referee Jack Silver completing the full count over the Mexican.

In a companion ten rounder, Johnny Ortega, 117, Alameda, outpointed another Mexican invader, Alex Mojica, 118. Ortega dropped Mojica for an eight count in the second.

It was 15 straight for San Francisco's Bob Butcher, 195, when he decisioned Arthur Wright, 184, Stockton. This was for six rounds.

Also, in six, Herman Marques, 119, Stockton, won the nod over Jake Avila, 117, of Decoto.

▶ They dug up a nice, soft touch for Tombstone Smith, California welter champ, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, in the person of Barry Allison, 147, who claimed he was New England welter and middleweight champion. Mebbe so, mebbe so; but that title now belongs to Tombstone, following his 3rd round TKO over the Massachusetts gent. Smith weighed 151½.

It was such a one-sided affair that Referee Frankie Van stopped the "hostilities" (you should pardon the word) in round 3. Certainly the victory didn't enhance Tombstone's prestige.

Hank Acevas, 126, was dropped in round 1, but got up from the deck to rack up a 3rd round TKO over Bobby Gray, 126, in the semi-final, slated for six. The fours: Willie Gilbert, 161, dec. Sammy Seals, 165½; Freeman Dailey, 147½, TKO (2) over Nathaniel Bealer, 141; Benny Doyle, 171, dec. Chick Wilburn, 174, and Leroy Smith, 174, TKO (2) over Lupe Estrada, 174.

▶ Alvaro Gutierrez of Mexico City, stablemate of Pajarito Moreno, 145, nailed Joe Abasta of Azusa, 142, with a left to the jaw in Round 2, and that was it. Referee Dynamite Jackson counted out the local boy.

A "crowd" of 1500 saw the televised tiff.

Walt Tyler, 154½, scored an upset in the semi-final when he knocked out favored Dennie Crisp, 151, in the fifth round of a scheduled six-spot. The fours: Willie Johnson, 135, dec. Steve Limon, 131; Willie Gilbert, 163½, TKO (2) over Hurricane Simms, 167½; Leon Mitchell, 140½, KO (2) over George Kearns, 141; and Richie McLane, 148, dec. Richard Carrizosa, 147.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

Johnny Kilbane, one of the six great featherweight champions of all time, died of cancer in his native Cleveland on May 31. Johnny, who held the world's title for eleven years, from 1912 to 1923, had been ill four months. For years he had been prominent in Ohio politics and at the time of his death was clerk of the Cleveland Municipal court. Read Jersey Jones' story of his career in this issue.

▶ In a recent fight in Cleveland, nationally televised, Joey Giardello won over Rory Calhoun in a close fight. Referee Lou Parker voted for Calhoun and the two judges for Giardello. Calhoun made a fast finish in the 8th, 9th and 10th rounds but Joey built up an early lead.

▶ Joey Maxim has sold his Cleveland interests and has moved to Miami. He will continue to fight under Jack Kearns and has a fight coming up with Bobo Olson in Portland, Oregon.

Rocky Castellani is back in Cleveland under Al Naiman. Rocky knocked out Lester Felton of Detroit in three rounds in Youngstown.

IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

Sioux City, Ia.—Terry Lewis, Sioux City's latest heavyweight hope who was recently the named heavyweight prospect of the month by the "Ring" magazine, scored his fourth consecutive professional kayo. This time it was Hooker Mitchell of Seattle by the T.K.O. route in four heats. The Sioux Cityan scaled in at 238 and Mitchell weighed 196.

▶ LAST MINUTE SPARKS . . . Sailor Burke, former Sioux City boxing manager, trainer, reports from Denver, Colo., that he has a large number of professional fighters ready for action. . . . Young Sanchez, a welterweight, is one of Burke's best prospects with main event caliber. . . . The big fistic talk around this area is young Terry Lewis, Sioux City's fistic hope.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By F. W. Bishop

Halifax Forum: Arthur Persley, 135, veteran Red Cross, La., star had too much on the ball for Canadian champion Richie Howard, 138, Halifax, and won going away in 10 fast rounds. Persley's fast punching and shifty style made a great hit with the Halifax mob.

The semi-final 8 saw Bridgewater Jerry Fraser, 156, lose to Gordie MacDougall, 161, Sydney, N. S. Fraser carried the fight the first three rounds then ran out of steam as MacDougall came on strong with a wicked body attack through the fourth & fifth. Referee Jack Delaney stopped it as Fraser's mouth was split open midway through the sixth.

In a four rounder, Bobby Duff, 133, New Glasgow, N. S., scored over Elroy Sparks, 136, Halifax, K.O. (2). Bobby Downey, 133, Halifax, iced game Lou Hillard, 129, Dartmouth, in the first round.

▶ Charlottetown, P. E. I.: Jackie Hayden 135, Westville, N. S., has too much experience for the young New Yorker, Ed Stover, 135, and coasted to an easy 10 round decision in the main event of promoter Ivan Doherty's first card. There was little wasted motion in the semi windup between Tiger Steele, 152, Charlottetown, & Gaston Roy, 159, Armagh, Que. This pier sixer was won by Roy by decision. A young newcomer, making his first pro start, Bobby Quinn, 143, Charlottetown, outpointed rough & tough Jimmy Gillis, 144, of New Glasgow, N. S., over four rounds.

▶ Moncton, N. B.: Yvon Durelle, 179, Baie Ste. Anns, N. B., Canadian lightheavy champion, won on a T.K.O. over veteran Leo Johnson, 176, Charlotte, N. C. Durelle floored Johnson five times before he finished him with a left hook to the stomach.

The semifinal six saw Gaston Roy, 159, Armagh, Que., punch out a one sided win over Moncton club fighter Norm Gautreau, 153. After this fight Roy retired from boxing to attend Laval University. Tiger Pyle, 125, Moncton, outpointed Bobby Duff, 133, New Glasgow, in a free tossing tiff, four rounds.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS

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from the Foro, is a small sports arena seating 5,000, where wrestling, fencing and gymnastic events will be held. Onesti declared he is not at liberty at this stage to name the site of the Olympic Village.

"It is a secret," he declared, *"but will be less than an hour's ride from the big stadium."* The committee, I was told, will construct a cycling stadium to seat 25,000 and it will be equipped with a 400 meters long cement track.

The rowing events will be held on Lake Albano, 16 miles from Rome, once the crater of a volcano. It is six miles in circumference and furnishes an ideal location.

Discussing the amateur boxing situation, Bruno Rossi, Chairman of the Italian Boxing Federation, whose beautiful homes in Florence and Verraghi Beach I visited, said:

"Unfortunately, we no longer have an amateur team which we can point out as representative of Italy. With all except two of our last Olympic team now boxing as professionals, we must create new interest to bring boys into the amateur field. As soon as we have registered 5,000 boys in training, we will stage tournaments all over Italy.

"Winners will receive special certificates of award entitling them to free instruction. For those unable to take part because of financial difficulties, we will try to obtain positions near their homes to make it easier for them to train and from these boys we will select the top men to compete in international meets. In three years under such a program, we hope to develop the best amateurs in Europe and to enter the next Olympic Games with a team capable of holding its own against the world."

CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHTS AID HEAVILY IN BOXING REVIVAL EVERYWHERE

Since my return from Europe, I find that many things have taken place that hit the boxing headlines. Of course the I.B.C. Anti-Trust case occupied considerable space in the overseas press, though it wasn't played up as big as in the States, but the Europeans, particularly the British and French, seemed deeply interested in the future of the Jim Norris organization since many of the boxers of those countries have carried home a considerable amount of Uncle Sam's cash obtained through the I.B.C. With the various federations in Europe pressing hard for European title defenses and the world champions in our country taking the moth balls out of their gloves, things I find are beginning to stir in the boxing game. By fall, the revival of world boxing should be in full swing.

We cannot understand the attitude of Lozaro Koci, manager of world flyweight champion Pascual Perez, of Argentina, in turning a deaf ear to the lucrative offers that have come his way for a title defense by Perez.

In Manila, an offer of $40,000 plus all expenses for a title shot with Dommy Ursua who fights both as a bantam and a flyweight, was turned down despite the fact that all neutral officials were to handle the fight. Another excellent offer came from Glasgow for Pascual to box Sammy Doucherty but again the offer was spurned.

No flyweight champion in the history of the sport received the fabulous offers which have come to Perez since he gained the crown by defeating Yoshia Shirai in 15 rounds in Tokyo in 1954. He is by far the hardest hitting boy the class has boasted in many years as was evidenced by his recent quick knockout of Dai Dower in Buenos Aires.

Perez is 31 years old and should take advantage of the opportunities given him to clean up financially while he retains his physical edge.

ILLINOIS COMMISSION ASKS FOR TEETH IN BOXING LAW

In New York the State Legislature has placed teeth in the boxing laws, giving the commission ample power to turn down applications for licenses by those who have been convicted of crime.

This does not hold in many other states. In Illinois, Chairman Gilmer recently pointed out that a license cannot be denied to any boxer, manager, second or trainer who can answer certain questions satisfactorily — whether or not he has been convicted of a crime. Thus, objectionable characters whose rehabilitation has been unsuccessful, can demand and receive permission to continue as a member of the boxing profession.

Gilmer has asked the General Assembly to pass an amendment giving the commission more discriminatory power and he should receive it. In New York, after the legislature passed the finger print law, many unsavory characters had their license revoked or failed to apply for a renewal.

Some who did, were granted their license after Commissioner Helfand's staff had received word from the Parole Board informing it of the applicant's rehabilitation.

Such regulations should be adopted by all states. It would be a fine thing for the sport if at its next meeting, the National Boxing Association passes a resolution requesting all states to conform to the New York code. It would be in the best interests of international boxing.

WISCONSIN HIT HARD BY STATE LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE

The action of the Legislature's Joint Finance Committee of Wisconsin in cutting the State Athletic Commission's budget from $11,185 to $500 has struck at the sport in that neck of the woods. Since the proposed cut covers the full budget of the five man commission and the salary and expenses of its secretary, Fred Saddy, it appears that the Wisconsin fathers are handing a knockout blow to boxing. Saddy is a civil service employee and has directed boxing in the state for many years.

Minnesota has no paid commission and frequently George Barton, veteran chairman whose long and meritorious services to the sport have earned for him national recognition, has met the expenses of his office out of his own pocket.

The legislators of Wisconsin apparently don't think much of boxing. There hasn't been too much of it in the State since TV took its toll of small clubs, but every time a TV sponsored boxing show has been staged with the aid of the International Boxing Club, the state coffer has been the recipient of a fair share of the receipts.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Eric Moolman

▶ **Pat McAteer of Britain, successfully defended his Empire** Middleweight title at the Wembley Stadium, Johannesburg, when he KO'd his South African challenger, Jimmy Elliott, in the sixth round of a scheduled 15 round bout. Until the KO, the crowd had witnessed a thrilling non-stop fight by both men. Elliott had launched a fierce attack against McAteer and was the aggressor when McAteer suddenly connected with a terrific left hook to the jaw. Elliott went sprawling and his head hit the canvas.

At the count of eight, Elliott struggled gamely to his feet, though obviously in a bad state. Then he collapsed.

On arrival at the hospital it was decided to operate for a blood clot on the brain. Doctors fought for his life for two hours, but he died.

This was the second death of a European boxer in a Johannesburg ring. Fourteen months ago 21 year old Hubert Essakow died after being KO'd by Willie Toweel.

Before a crowd of 14,000 Mike Holt, the South African middleweight champion, won the national Lightweight crown when he KO's Stan Lotriet in 1 min. 51 secs. of the first round. This was Holt's first appearance since his very successful Australian tour.

Johnny van Rensburg KO'd Julio Silva of Lourenco Marques in first round.

Welter: Eric Thompson beat Joe Comancho in 4 rounds. Billy Lotter beat Gert van Heerden points over six rounds.

▶ **Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia:** Willie Toweel, the South African & Empire Lightweight champion, beat Franco Rossini, an Italian immigant, on points in their 10 round catchweight, bout. Toweel fought strongly in the last round to gain the decision.

Featherweight: D. Jefferies TKO'd Wally Hillier.

Heavyweight: Johnny Arthur, South African Heayweight champion, TKO'd Buddy Walker in third round.

Welterweight: Jimmy Taylor beat Abe Vorster disqualification 3rd. round. Ewie Vorster, SA Welter champ, KO'd Fred Vosloo in 1st.

▶ On the non-European front Saxton (Wonder Boy) Mabena, TKO'd Leslie Tangee, the Transvaal champ, in the 12th to successfully defend his national non-European Bantamweight title.

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RATINGS

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Gonzales, 8. Artie Dixon won from Bill Tate, 10.

Dick Lane kayoed Al Noriega, 1. Sherman Williams beat Terry Rindal, 8. George Chimenti beat Joe Tomasello, 8.

Victor Torres kayoed Rudy Jimenez, 9. Ernest Burford beat Pat Lowry, 6, and kayoed Floyd Brooks, 2. Johnny Morris kayoed Dick Lowery, 2. Bob Berdhal kayoed Danny Jones, 5. George Knowles stopped Hugh Serville, 8.

Billy Priest defeated Walter Holman, 6. Eddie Sims kayoed George King, 3. Eddie Brant beat A. J. McCoy, 6. Leo Owens won over Kel Wayne, 6. Gustav Scholz stopped Kid Gamero, 3. Italian Champion Guido Mazzinghi outfought Ahmed Boulgroune, 10.

Willie Vaughn defeated Al Williams, 10. South African Champion Mike Holt outpointed Jimmy Martinez, 10. Dutch Champion Leen Jansen won from Martin Hansen, 10. Abel Soudan outfought Robert Guivarch, 10. Andres Selpa kayoed Ubaldo Sacco, 15.

Max Resch stopped Bruce Damphier, 8. Three-times Olympic champion, Lazlo Papp celebrated pro debut by outpointing Alois Brand, 4. Ernie Smith beat Rudy Ellis, 6. Karl-Heinz Guder kayoed Jackson Brown, 3. Henorace Armstrong beat Stan Micheaux, 8. Joe Lissy stopped Yvon Turenne, 8.

Willie Lewis won from Natie Spellman, 6. J. C. Johnson kayoed Fred McCoy, 2. Freddie Little beat Earl Grey, 6, and stopped Pero Bradley, 5. Joe DeNucci kayoed Joe Warren, 1. Walter Tyler kayoed Dennie Crisp, 5, but lost to Hank Casey, 6. Karl Whilby defeated Allan Harmon, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Tony DeMarco whipped Walter Byars, 10. Byars also lost in 10 to Virgil Akins, who kayoed Jimmy Beecham, 3.

Charlie (Tombstone) Smith kayoed Barry Allison, 3.

European champion Emilio Marconi retained his title by drawing with Peter Waterman, 15.

Joe Miceli kayoed Miguel Diaz, 6. Billy Lynch whipped Calvin Smith, 10.

Mickey Crawford decisioned Wallace (Bud) Smith, 10. Wayman Dawson stopped Charlie Smith, 4.

Carlo Sarlo outscored Ernie Roberts, 6. Willie Dillon halted Andy Figaro, 6. Leroy Morgan outfought Willie (Kid) Johnson, 10.

Stefan Redl edged out Frankie Ippolito, 10. Alvaro Gutierrez stopped Joe Abasta, 2. Kid Zacatecas kayoed Everardo Armenta, 5; Armenta kayoed Panadero Cardenas, 2. Gerald Grey outpointed Hector Constance, 10.

David Cervantes defeated Enrique Esqueda, 10. Reybon Stubbs halted Fernando Spallotta, 5. Chucho Olmos won on a disqualification over Enrique Saavedra, 8. Willie Dillon outscored Jimmy McCoy, 8. Boswell St. Louis stopped Frank Johnson, 5.

Jackson Brown stopped Joe Walcott, 5. Aldo Mente stopped Dave Dupas, 7. Tony DeCola stopped Ray Apollo, 4. Jay Fullmer kayoed Eddie Ford, 1. Pat O'Brien beat Artie Cintron, 6. Don Horner and Tony Montano drew, 6.

J. C. Johnson defeated Tommy Thomas, 6. Gaston Roy bested Norman Gautreau, 8; Norman beat Nick Kovac, 6. Bill Flamio bested Eddie Prince, 6.

Norman Johnson kayoed Walter McIntosh, 1. Willard Nelson beat Joe Manuel, 6. Dennis Woodbury beat James Easley, 6. Leo Gonzales beat Lupe Albarado, 6. Mickey Bishop beat Jim Kelly, 6.

Jimmy Chavis beat middleweight Jack LaQuatra, 6. Rocky Sullivan beat Al Duarte, 6. Ted Wright beat Frank Betts, 6. Joe Lissy beat Danny Russo, 6. Art Glass defeated Rudell Stitch, 6.

Vincent O'Kine flattened Jo Janssens, 1, but was outpointed by Jacques Prigent, 8. Prigent also whipped Jean Hoeffler, 10.

Sauveur Chiocca stopped Simon Soriano, 7.

German Champion Gunter Hase outpointed Michel Masson, 8.

Michel Francois kayoed Mario Ciccarelli, 8.

Dave Cervantes outfought Gilberto Holguin, 10.

Mel Barker whipped Aldo Mente, 10.

Tony Veranis stopped Norm Gautreau, 10.

Frits van Kempen drew with Sandy Manuel, 10.

Rudy Sawyer defeated Julie Jamison, 6.

Rocky Rivero kayoed Juan Utrera, 1.

Eddie Lynch beat Pat O'Brien, 6.

Jorge Fernandez kayoed Gofredo Barcos, 7.

Ray Terrazas defeated Babe Ortiz, 8. Ray then lost to Joe Castaneda, 8.

Regus Williams halted Jimmy Williams, 5.

Kid Chocolate stopped Gene Buzzello, 4.

Juan Ocampo stopped Oscar Pita, 10.

Frankie Belma kayoed Henry Johnson, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Kenny Lane kayoed Henry Brown, 6.

British champion Dave Charnley stopped Johnny Gonsalves, 8.

Ralph Dupas was held to a draw by welterweight Seraphin Ferrer, 10. Teddy Davis stopped Richie Howard, 8.

Exchampion Jimmy Carter returned to action after a long layoff and outpointed Buddy McDonald, 10. Lulu Perez kayoed Julian Velasquez, 5.

Bobby Courchense kayoed Russ Tague, 1. Carlos Ortiz outpointed Felix Chiocca, 10. Luis Buendia outboxed Juan Lemus, 10. Fugie Rodriguez handed Leo Agbulos his first loss, 10. Hector Garcia won from Humberto Carrillo, 9, and kayoed Joe Cantu, 2.

Juanito Martinez outpointed Reyes Lopez, 10. Carlos Ortiz defeated Felipe Novelo, 10. Beto Carbajal stopped Ubaldo Ramirez, 8.

Ray Lancaster outclassed Rocky Randell, 10. Apolinar Huerta decisioned Robert Pinon, 10, but was stopped by Beto Gonzales, 4.

European Champion Duilio Loi outpointed Ahcene Attar, 10 (non-title).

Tony Garcia decisioned Belgian champion Jo Woussem, 10.

Dave Walden stopped Al Nevarez, 6.

Fred Galiana halted Jean Santanbien, 10.

George Berry outpointed Steve Tony, 10.

Manfred Neuke stopped Karl-Heinz Bick, 10.

Bonnie Espinosa defeated Hideto Kobayashi, 10.

Damrondej Samanchan kayoed Fighting Lee, 4.

Kid Pancho defeated Thep Vithool, 10.

Paul Armstead stopped Kid Centella, 8. El Conscripto stopped Leonard Gaines, 10, but was stopped by El Conscripto, 5. Oscar Ortegon defeated Jesse Gutierrez, 8, Jesse drew with Ray Gonzales, 6.

Antonio Ramirez kayoed Manolo Luna, 1, and Bobby Segura, 1. Fidel Hernandez halted Indio Ramos, 5. Ray Mejia kayoed Babe Ramirez, 8.

John Tombley and Johnny O'Brien drew, 8. Arnoldo Gil beat Raul Fuentes, 10, and Alfredo Cota, 10. Johnny O'Brien outpointed Pee Wee Sanchez, 10. Kid Banga outpointed Emilio Sanchez, 15. Neon Kid scored over Carlos Tamayo, 10.

Chivo Diaz kayoed Babe Serrano, 4. David Camacho whipped Pinky Ruiz, 10, Pinky defeated Paul Rivera, 10.

Marcelo Vargas halted Toro Carranza, 3. Willard Nelson whipped Dave Gottschalk, 6. Tommy Roberts stopped Harold Smith, 5.

Solomon Boysaw kayoed Herman Hinton, 3. Ezequiel Uribe stopped Jose Luis Dina, 2. Johnny Moreno stopped Octavio Salas, 5, but lost to Ray Mejia, 8. Harry Bell kayoed Jesse Watson, 1.

Earl Mathews defeated Jarrel Pate, 6, and Bob Spencer, 6. Curt Davis kayoed Roger Etienne, 4. Mike Spataro defeated Bobby Jackson, 6. Joey Reynolds decisioned Don Ward, 6. Jimmy Scalero defeated Tommy Nethercott, 6.

Ray Copeland upset Jimmy Feaster, 6. Joe Berunco bested Johnny Johnikin, 6, Johnny also lost to Rico Sacramone, 6. Iggy Maldonado scored over George Seabrook, 6. Carl Chastain stopped Billy Spears, 4. Jimmy Kenny beat Bobby Soares, 6.

Tiger Pyle defeated Bobby Duff, 6. Herbie Patzer stopped Danny Brown, 3.

Richie Argo and Frank Figueroa drew, 6. Babe Ortiz defeated Collier Cox, 6. Salomon Coronel stopped Agustin Moreno, 5.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Jose Cotero stopped Ricardo Moreno, 7.

Paul Jorgensen outboxed Paul Smith, 10.

Lauro Salas outpointed Noel Humphreys, 10. Victor Manuel Quijano decisioned Fidel Lucero, 10.

Mauro Vazquez stopped Kid Campeche, 7. Otilio Galvan beat Kildo Martinez, 10, and David Rodriguez, 10.

Kid Leoncito kayoed Gildardo Bacho, 2. Jorge Manjarrez defeated Manuel Armenteros, 10. Johnny Nicholas kayoed Jimmy Harris, 3. Luis Gutierrez decisioned Memo Sanchez, 10.

Roberto Garcia stopped Julio Escobedo, 7. Nacho Rosales won over Chebo Vazquez, 8. Enrique de la Cruz stopped Carlos Loyola, 3. Schmeling Tapatio defeated Joe Tinoco, 10; Joe then beat Kid Rodriguez, 10. Sammy Borja defeated Paulito Escarian, 10.

Tony Alamillo halted Indio Conte, 9. Pedro Miranda beat Sergio Milan, 10. Chu Chu Mejia decisioned Tony Ganados, 8. Baby Mar kayoed Luis Rodriguez, 8.

Juanito Rivera stopped Nacho Gonzales, 8. Wally Livingston outpointed Jimmy Cooper, 6. Enrique Castillo whipped Emilio Olivares, 8.

Ben Ferrer bested Leo Ricardo, 8. Manuel Alcala kayoed Chico Tamayo, 3, and Tony Salazar, 5. Cachorro Meza stopped Tono Coria, 9. Rudy Coronado drew with Dwight Hawkins, 6.

Primo Corpus and Oscar Guban, 8. Arnulfo Palomares halted Alfonso Lima, 4. Gabriel Herrera stopped Nacho Negrete, 6.

Hank Acevas kayoed Bobby Gray, 3. Walt Ingram beat Willie Parker, 6.

Bobby Soares kayoed Richie Graham, 5. Henry Miramontes beat Joe Garza, 6. Lucky Marcelo and Terry Blanker drew, 6.

New Zealand Champion Billy Leckie halted Tony Galarcho, 8. Davey Moore edged out Buddy McDonald, 10. Baby Rodriguez upset Beto Couray, 10.

Aime Devish regained Belgian title by stopping Jean Renard, 6. British Champion Charley Hill outpointed Denny Dawson, 8. Joey Reyes edged out Jimmy Lassiter, 10.

Fenley Hooker defeated Rodolfo Francis, 10. Pedro Miranda kayoed Osvaldo Vargas, 8. Raul Sanchez stopped Rodrigo Duenas, 4.

Felipe Uribe decisioned Jesus Estrada, 6. Willie Lucero decisioned Chucho Mejia, 6. Ramon Rodriguez kayoed Raul Duran, 2.

Jo Ventaja stopped Belarmino Santos, 8. Jimmy Kelly kayoed Ramon Soto, 2.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World champion Alfonso Halimi was stopped by Jimmy Carson on a cut eye in the ninth round (non-title).

Ilario Tanelli decisioned Roberto Spina, 8. Raul (Raton) Macias halted Dommy Urusa, 11.

Joe Becerra scored over Jose Luis Mora, 10.

Al Asuncion outscored Masakasu Otsuka, 10.

Leo Espinosa decisioned Saburo Otaki, 12.

British Empire champion Peter Keenan retained his title by kayoing John Smillie, 6. Fili Nava kayoed Tony Meza, 4. Pimi Barajas won from Pat Supple, 7.

Jose Lopez beat Frankie Campos, 10. Manuel Armenteros lost to featherweight Jorge Manjarrez, 10. Johnny Ortega outpointed Gaetano Annaloro, 10.

Ernesto Castaneda drew with Jorge Herrera, 10, but was stopped by Chucho Gonzalez, 2. David Rodriguez beat Kid San Martin, 10, then lost to featherweight Otilio Galvan, 10.

Villeza Villar defeated Mutsuo Iida, 10, then drew with James Hardman, 4. Oscar Reyes kayoed Vic Angeles, 2. Cris Miranda and Bert Gonzales drew, 10. Hilario Morales kayoed Lucio Gonzalez, 9.

Javier Garfias beat Nicolas Flores, 10. Roque Fernandez decisioned Ernesto Castaneda, 10.

Rogelio Saucedo bested Luis Castillo, 10, Luis then outpointed Panchito Villa, 10. Nacho Escalante halted Avelino Felix, 6. Danny Brown and Small Genio drew, 8. Golden Boy beat Viva Zapata, 8.

Young Cading beat Baby Al Capone, 6, and drew with Snoman Kid, 8. Claudio Adame kayoed Estudiante Cardenas, 3, and beat Hector Ramirez, 10. Eduardo Guerrero stopped Chiquis Rosales, 9, and won from Jorge Salazar, 10.

Herman Marquez beat Freddy Viscarra, 6. Manny Elias stopped Henry Moore, 3. Eloy Sanchez bested Norberto Cruz, 8. Guillermo Gonzalez defeated Manuel Rojas, 8, and Rosendo Martinez, 8, Martinez whipped Fili Maya, 8.

Ray Ruiz won from Luis Gallegos, 8, and Heriberto Saucedo, 8. Saucedo also beat Alberto Sosto, 6.

Abdelkader Azzouz continued along his winning way by knocking out Gabriel Viel, 3; Maurice Libeer, 7, and Pierre DeSouza, 7. Pimi Barajas won over Eddie Luna, 10

Gianni Zuddas decisioned Robert Tartari, 10. Hein van der Zee outpointed Eddy Roelandt, 8. Barry Molloy stopped Teddy Rainbow, 2.

Edwin Sykes beat Salvador Molina, 6. Guido Granizo and Hiracio Moyano drew, 10. Cachin Diaz stopped Carlos Lara, 7. Armando Vera defeated Bernardo Sanchez, 8.

FLYWEIGHTS

Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto outpointed Danny Kid, 10.

Dommy Urusa was stopped by bantamweight Raul Macias, 11.

Joe Medel kayoed Mario Ruiz, 8.

Jorge Herrera defeated Dusty Brown 10, and drew with Ernesto Castaneda, 10. Lloyd Gordon won the vacant Canadian title by kayoing Gaston Bisson, 1.

Kildo Martinez kayoed Chocolate Barrera, 5, but lost to featherweight Otilio Galvan, 10.

Peter Zapata beat Lazaro Uribe, 10, Uribe also lost to Negrito Medina, 10.

Zurdo Sanchez kayoed Nando Carvajal, 6, lost to Cubanito Gonzalez, 10. Baby Ross halted Leo Makalintal, 1; Leo kayoed Facoma Kid, 3.

Young Aquino decisioned Blackie Robinson, 10. Jose Galvan and Juanito Mendoza drew, 10. Chucho Hernandez halted Babe Tinajero, 2. Small Dave beat Tony Cabrera, 6.

Chuy Guerrero decisioned Vincente Guerrero, 10. Papelero Rodriguez defeated Leonardo Lopez, 6.

Panchito Estella stopped Dolfin Gamboa, 3. Saul Becerril kayoed Firpito Gaytan, 4. Cuervo Salinas stopped David Monroy, 2, and beat Pulgarcito Gutierrez, 6.

Christian Marchand polished off Hilaire Gaviano, 4. Warren Batcheler stopped Snowy Allen, 2.

Terry Spinks given decision over Gerry Parker when bout was halted because of facial cuts on both boys, 3.

Roger Cappato won from Jose Alvarez, 10. Fighting Jamal kayoed Lefty Majid, 2. Horacio Acavalla kayoed Marcelo Quiroga, 6.

TOURING TITLE BOUTS

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for the world title. They were Ike Weir of Ireland and Torpedo Billy Murphy of New Zealand and Australia. The championship was in dispute at the time but Weir, dubbed the "Belfast Spider," had a strong claim to the laurels and the bout was recognized by most authorities as for the title. Murphy torpedoed Weir in the fourteenth round.

In another important international match, staged in a "neutral" New York ring, Max Schmeling, a German, qualified for a crack at Jack Sharkey and the vacant world heavyweight title by beating a rival European, Paulino Uzcudun, of Spain, in the Yankee Stadium in 1929.

YANKS VS. YANKS ABROAD.

It by no means is an exclusive custom of the United States to play the "neutral" battleground for foreign disputes. American rivalries have often been carried into alien climes.

Following Stanley Ketchel's tragic passing in 1910, Australia and France both sponsored bouts for the vacant middleweight title, with Yank visitors playing featured roles, often against one another. As a matter of fact, Billy Papke, Ketchel's arch rival, earned the rare distinction of appearing in both Australian and French tourneys—and losing each time to a fellow-American.

Papke, who had won and lost the middleweight laurels in a gruelling four-bout series with Ketchel, was on his way to Australia when Stanley died. Billy promptly claimed the title. Promoter Snowy Baker matched him with another American, Cyclone Johnny Thompson. The bout, staged in Sydney, was advertised as for the championship. Thompson won the decision.

Cyclone Johnny outgrew the middleweight division, and once more Papke laid claim to the title. In 1912 Billy headed for Europe. His arrival inspired Parisian promoters to conduct an international middleweight tourney. Papke and a rival Yank, Frank Klaus, reached the final round. Klaus won on a disqualification and was generally accepted as world champion.

In 1937 a pair of touring American featherweights, champion Petey Sarron and ex-champion Freddie Miller, met up with one another in South Africa. The previous year they had split a pair of decisions in title bouts in the United States, Miller retaining his laurels in Miami, but losing them in Washington. Now their ramblings had brought them together in a foreign land. The series resumed with two bouts in Johannesburg. The first was a non-title affair, Miller winning, but in the second match, with the championship at stake, Sarron nabbed the decision.

JOHNSON'S ODD RECORD.

An odd feature of Jack Johnson's career was that he won and lost the world heavyweight title in alien climes. It was in Australia that he whipped the Canadian, Tommy Burns, and in Cuba that he was beaten by a fellow-American, Jess Willard.

It was Johnson's meeting with Burns that established Australia on boxing's big-time international circuit. The island continent had long been noted for producing exceptional fighters, but their opportunities had been limited by the sparse population. Although in area Australia was nearly as large as the United States, its scattered citizenry numbered less than New York City's. As a result, promising Aussie ringmen, outgrowing their homeland, usually headed for England or the United States to further their fistic ambitions. Peter Jackson, Young Griffo, Torpedo Billy Murphy, Abe Willis, Frank Slavin, Joe Goddard, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jim Hall and Bill Squires were only some of the many Australians and New Zealanders who had emigrated to Europe and America.

The pursuit race between the American Johnson and the Canadian Burns started in California, spanned the United States, spread to Britain, thence to the European continent, and finally to Australia. It was there that Promoter Hugh D. McIntosh, in what was regarded as a fantastic gamble, agreed to guarantee Burns the $30,000 Tommy demanded for a meeting with Johnson. It was an unheard-of figure for even a heavyweight champion to receive in those days. Johnson, the challenger, signed for $5,000. For the occasion McIntosh built a brand-new outdoor arena at Rushcutter's Bay, on the outskirts of Sydney. Incidentally, the arena, considerably the worse for wear after nearly a half-century, still operates today as the Sydney Stadium. The date for the match was set for December 26, 1908. When the rivals couldn't agree on the referee, McIntosh himself volunteered to handle the assignment and was acceptable to both parties.

Johnson proved too big, too strong and too clever for Burns. Scaling 192 pounds to Tommy's 168, and having pronounced advantages in height and reach, Jack slowly chopped his stocky opponent into helplessness. The police stepped in in the fourteenth round and ordered the massacre halted.

McIntosh's daring gamble paid off handsomely. The paid attendance was announced as 20,149, and with prices ranging from $25 down to $5, the gate receipts reached an astounding $131,000! The entire production—purses paid the fighters, cost of the stadium and various incidental operational expenses—probably didn't entail a total outlay of much more than $50,000. McIntosh not only cleared about $80,000 for himself, but the venture definitely proved that Australia was capable of supporting big-time boxing.

THAT HAVANA EPISODE.

Jack Curley, heading a syndicate of theatrical and sporting gentry, was responsible for the Johnson-Willard bout in Havana.

Johnson was in voluntary exile, wanted by American authorities on various charges, among them violation of the Mann (White Slave) Act. Skipping the United States in 1912, Jack had headed for Europe, winding up with Paris as his headquarters. The irresponsible, pleasure-loving champion had been having a high old time over yonder, but the outbreak of World War I suddenly stifled his carefree activities. Homesick, and in financial straits, he began casting wistful glances across the Atlantic. He was considering an offer to box in the Argentine when Curley moved in on him.

Curley was prepared to guarantee Johnson $30,000 to defend the title against big, hulking "White Hope" Jess Willard. The champion was an eager listener. The bout couldn't be staged in the United States, of course, but Curley would try to find a spot as closely as possible to Johnson's homeland. Mexico City was proposed, but a revolution was in progress south of the Rio Grande and a prizefight at that time would have been a risky venture. Curley considered several other possible battlegrounds, and ended up in Cuba with the all-American match. The date selected was April 5, 1915, with the beautiful Oriental Park race track as the site.

Only a short hop from Florida, Curley envisioned thousands of visiting Yanks attending the show, and enthusiastically assured his colleagues the receipts would hit $250,000 or more. The Cuban government rendered splendid cooperation, even to declaring a holiday for the populace. The weather also contributed to the occasion. The sun blazed down from a cloudless sky.

The promotion turned out to be a financial disappointment. The "invasion" of American fans failed to materialize in the mass fashion anticipated and Cubans could hardly be expected to show undue enthusiasm over a sports event which, at the time, was strange to them.

The actual figures were never revealed, but the paid attendance was estimated at only 12,000. (Thousands of curious non-payees saw the fight from adjoining hills and slopes.) The receipts were probably less than $100,000. Willard worked on a percentage of the gate, but just what he received was never announced publicly.

JOHNSON HONESTLY BEATEN.

A dissipated, bloated veteran of 37, with years of carousing behind him, and facing a strong, ambitious, well-conditioned opponent six years younger, five inches taller and twenty-five pounds heavier, Johnson made a gallant try as long as he could but gradually wilted before Willard's ponderous poundings and collapsed from exhaustion in the twenty-sixth round.

This writer has never placed any credance in Johnson's subsequent claim that he "dove" for Willard. Jack always was ready with an apparently logical explanation for a disappointing showing. For a great fighter, his career was strangely packed with an almost constant series of alibis.

Johnson's story of the Havana defeat was that Curley had promised him, if he lost the championship to a white man, the American authorities would "forgive" the charges against him and allow him to return to the United States.

Why, if he intended to quit to Willard, did he wait until the twenty-sixth round before chucking it?

It seems that Curley hadn't paid him his full guarantee when the bout started and he refused to "dive" until the money was handed to his wife, sitting in the ringside. It wasn't until the end of the twenty-fifth round that she signalled him she had been paid.

Details of the fight itself repudiate Johnson's "confession." For one thing, Jack gave Willard a rugged going-over in the early rounds. He repeatedly jolted the big, ungainly Kansan with vicious hooks, uppercuts and straight rights. Any opponent less hardy than Willard would have had difficulty surviving those rough moments.

Had the bout been over today's standard fifteen-round championship distance, Johnson would have won. But this bout was scheduled for forty-five rounds, and Willard had been groomed for a gruelling marathon. Johnson had not. His age, years of loose living and that blistering tropical heat began to take their toll of the champion. From the fifteenth round on he faded steadily. Referee Jack Welch later said that if he had to give a decision at the end of twenty rounds, it would have been a draw.

Johnson continued to wilt as the fight progressed. He was near exhaustion at the end of the twenty-fifth. At this point there was a message between Johnson and his wife, but it was from him to her. He knew he couldn't last much longer and he didn't want her to see him knocked out. He sent word for her to leave the arena. She wasn't fast enough. The twenty-sixth round had started as she headed for an exit. She had to pass the ring on the way. Suddenly, she let out a horrified scream. Within a few short feet of her, Johnson, nailed by a long, ponderous right, had collapsed to the canvas and rolled over on his back, upraised arms instinctively shielding his face from the sun.

NEW FACES

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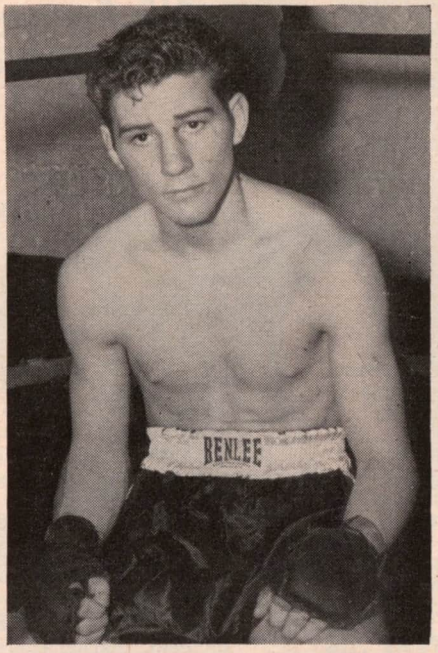


Jimmy McGinnis, Newark, N. J., lightweight, resembles Tippy Larkin in looks and ring style. He is a good boxer and has a sharp right hand counter.

treal when he was a youngster and Yvon attended school there. He was on both the swimming and hockey teams. Turenne is a bricklayer by trade. He first started to box while away from home working in a logging camp in the woods of Ontario. For recreation the fellows staged boxing matches and after Yvon has defeated all the others in his class he decided to enter the amateurs when he returned home. He was eighteen at the time.

As an amateur he was highly successful, winning 17 of 20 with 14 kayos. In both 1953 and 1954 he was Canadian Golden Gloves middleweight champion. In the later year he broke his right hand in winning the semi-final match and went on to capture the championship with only one hand, over the objections of his trainer who didn't want him to fight.

Since turning pro in February of 1956 he has gone to the post 19 times, winning 14, losing 4 and drawing once. A strong, durable puncher with a walk-in two-fisted action style, he has triumphed over Jackson Brown, Marcel Piou, Ernie DeLaurio, Cecil Brankcroft, Tony Creary, Bobby Croxon and Eddie Longchamps. His losses have been to Brown and to Mickey Crawford, who recently turned in wins over Paddy De Marco and Wallace (Bud) Smith. Yvon gave Crawford a closer and tougher fight than either of the ex-champions.

Now fighting out of New York City, Turenne plans on entering the building contracting business after his ring career is over. From the impressive start he has made, it looks like that is a long way off.

JIMMY McGINNIS

A tall talented lightweight, Jimmy McGinnis is the newest P. O. N. (Pride of Newark).

The baby in a family of eleven children, Jimmy was born on Prince Edward Island, Canada, on April 18, 1938, and has been living in New Jersey for the past five years.

Jimmy's uncle and namesake was a topflight lightweight during the middle thirties and a popular idol on the east coast of Canada. It was he who first got Jimmy interested in boxing and taught him about the gloved sport. However, it was not until after the McGinnis clan had moved to Newark that Jimmy started his simon-pure career, which saw him win all but one of his sixteen contests. In 1954 he captured the New Jersey Golden Gloves novice lightweight title and 1955 moved up to take the open championship. His brother Paul also was a top-notcher amateur welterweight. He has temporarily hung up the gloves while he is attending college.

McGinnis has done most of his fighting since turning pro last summer in New England, where he has built up a large following. He has recorded 10 wins in 14 starts, including 6 kayos. A good boxer, he has a sharp right hand counter and has shown marked ability for the fistic trade.

In his last start he returned to Charlottetown, P. E. I., and scored a big hit with his former townsmen by kayoing Jimmy Roberts in two heats.

Among those that he has triumphed over are Tony Grasso, Tony Tavares, Eddie Johnson, Jay Roach and Al Bernard.

A growing lad at five-foot-eight, this brown-haired Irishman should develop into a welterweight before long, as did his idol Tippy Larkin whom he resembles in looks and ring style.

BOXING IN THAILAND

By H. D. Koslowski

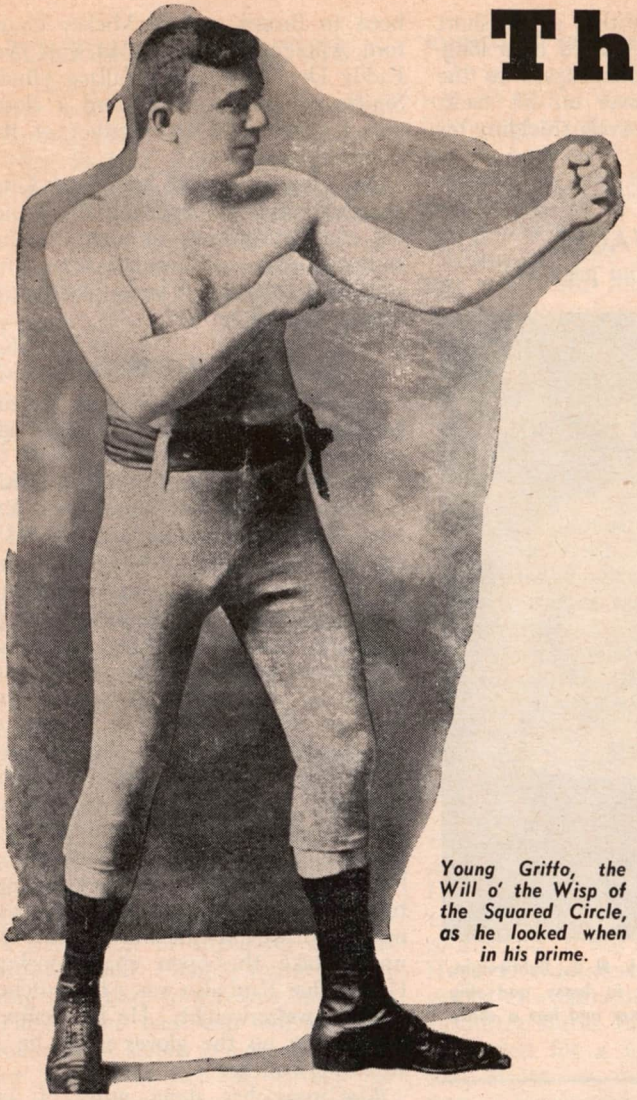
▶ **In one of the best fights seen here for a long time,** the Orient Middleweight Champion HATCHIRO TATSUMI, of Japan, lost his crown to the Thai Champion, DAWTHONG SINGHAPALOP.

Both boys entered the ring at 156. Though the Thai boxer was down in the first round for a compulsory count of eight, he came back strong to win a split decision after 12 hard-fought rounds.

The Eccentric Young Griffo

His Escapades Gave America's Sports Writers, Promoters and Minions of the Law Heartaches

By BILLY ROCHE



Young Griffo, the Will o' the Wisp of the Squared Circle, as he looked when in his prime.

NO boxer ever gave America's sports writers such severe heart-burnings as did Young Griffo, the erratic Australian. Griffo came to this country in 1893. Young in years, he was a veteran in experience, his recorded battles up to then numbering forty-five.

He was accustomed to give weight away with reckless abandon. Though only a featherweight, he tackled lightweights and welters, and defeated or drew with some of the best men in those divisions that the antipodes had produced.

Also, many of his early contests were fought with bare knuckles or skintight gloves, with the result that his hands were pretty badly bunged up when he came to America. The only fault Uncle Sam's boxing critics could find with him was that he seemed to lack a stunning punch, though they had never seen his like for all-around cleverness. But the fact was that Griffo had to save his damaged hands as much as he could, which accounts for his light hitting.

From the time of his arrival here up to the end of 1895 he made the best of our featherweights and lightweights look like novices taking lessons from a master, when they stacked up against him. But it was his convivial habits which astounded the critics and tabbed him as the most unpredictable cuss they ever dealt with.

For Griffo to break training and go on a drunk was not an exceptional happening, rather the other way. John L. Sullivan at his worst never stowed away more red liquor than did this Sydney larrikin. Yet he kept on winning, or failing to take a decision, held his opponent even.

THE World's Fair of 1893 was in full swing in Chicago when Griffo reached port at the Golden Gate. There was also a boxing boom in progress, and Griffo went straight to the Windy City without stopping to show his wares on the Pacific Coast.

To say that he astonished the Chi sports is putting it mildly. During 1893 and the year following they saw him whip Solly Smith, Johnny Van Heest, Young Scotty, Tommy White, Al Jansen, Kid Lavigne and Ike Weir in succession. These were all front rank lads, but their scientific status was decidedly second-rate, when compared with the speedy Australian.

On March 7, 1894, Griffo made his initial appearance in the East by smothering Ed McCabe in a flurry of smitting gloves and stopping him in three frames. He bested Johnny Griffin of Braintree, Mass., in eight rounds at Boston, beat his countryman, Billy Murphy there in another eight; and held featherweight champion George Dixon to a twenty round draw.

The careless ease with which Griffo hopped from one division to another was demonstrated when on August 27, 1894, he took on lightweight champion Jack McAuliffe for ten rounds at the seaside Athletic Club, Coney Island.

McAuliffe, who retired from the ring without ever having lost a decision, was lucky that the referee, Maxey Moore, was third man in the arena on that occasion. For Griffo outpointed him from start to finish, and as big a favorite as was Jack with the Manhattan sports writers, they made no bones about declaring that the Australian had been given an uncommonly raw deal.

In 1895 Griffo fought sixteen battles without suffering a single reverse, the list including one twenty-five round, and one ten round draw with George Dixon; and a twenty-round even break with Kid Lavigne. During all this time Griffo went the pace that kills, with his usual indifference to consequences. It was nothing short of a miracle that he kept going as he did, and was yet able to turn up for ring engagements and scrap like a wildcat.

BUT there was bound to come a day when his extraordinary vitality would weaken under the strain. The first sign of his deterioration occurred when lightweight Charlie McKeever outpointed him at Maspeth in twenty rounds, on April 13, 1896. Though McKeever was one of the best boxers ever produced in the Quaker City, he was underdog in the betting at Maspeth. For Griffo's brilliant victories had most American fans believing that he was unconquerable in the art of scoring points.

However, much to everyone's amazement, Griffo began to fade after the eleventh round. McKeever then took the lead, held it, and was awarded the verdict. And the word went around the Griffo had at last hit the down grade. In one sense, he had, but he kept on milling for years after that, and was more often successful than not.

A little over a month after he lost to McKeever he fought one of the toughest, hardest-hitting lightweights of that day, Jack Everhardt of New Orleans. Griffo was in poor condition, besides giving away weight to his opponent. Yet, for twenty rounds before a Buffalo club, he evaded the Crescent

City man's desperate efforts to land a knockout, and outpointed him easily. Aggressiveness counted a whole lot in those times, and because Everhardt had consistently forced the pace, the referee made it a draw.

BUT for all his brilliancy, Eastern promoters were growing tired of Griffo as an attraction. He was so thoroughly unreliable that they never knew whether he would keep an engagement or he would be sober enough to make a fair showing, if he did. It got more and more difficult for him to obtain matches and he finally pulled up stakes and drifted to Chicago, where he had first given American fans a taste of his quality.

After one of his sprees and consequent banging around, the magistrate before whom the Australian was brought decided that he was a fit subject for the booby-hatch, and Griffo was sent to Dunning Asylum. He was there several months.

George Dawson, former lightweight champion of Australia, was then boxing instructor at the Chicago Athletic club. Bob Fitzsimmons was in town with a vaudeville show and he and Dawson took steps to have their erratic countryman released.

This was done, and Lou Houseman, Chicago's permier promoters, finding that the long rest had done wonders toward restoring Griffo to good physical shape, got him a six round match with Jack Lewis, a crack local lightweight. Griffo went into training at the Chicago Athletic Club under Dawson's supervision.

MOST of the Chicago sport scribes were of the opinion that Lewis would win, knowing Griffo's habits, and conjecturing that a spell in a lunatic asylum could hardly be listed as excellent preparatory work for battle.

The bout took place on June 4, 1898. Griffo was in admirable condition and won from Lewis by a large point margin. A funny feature about the affair was that some gay jester got to Lewis before the fight and warned him that Griffo was still crazy and to watch out for fear the Australian might bite him in the clinches. Lewis took this seriously, and betrayed marked nervousness at close quarters.

GRIFFO won a six round decision from Jim Popp, the Canadian lightweight champ, in Chicago a few weeks after he lost to Joe Gans. In 1901 he beat Kid Asher in ten rounds, drew with Joe Bernstein in six; and kayoed Jack Bain in eight frames. His last ring appearance resulted in a six round draw with George Memsic in Chicago, in 1904.

Eventually he landed back in New York, where for years he lived on the charity of the sports who knew him in his prime. He grew monstrously stout, weighing over 230 pounds, and was a familiar sight to Broadwayites, sitting on the side-door steps of a Forty-Second Street theatre, where many a half-dollar and two-bit piece was bestowed upon him.

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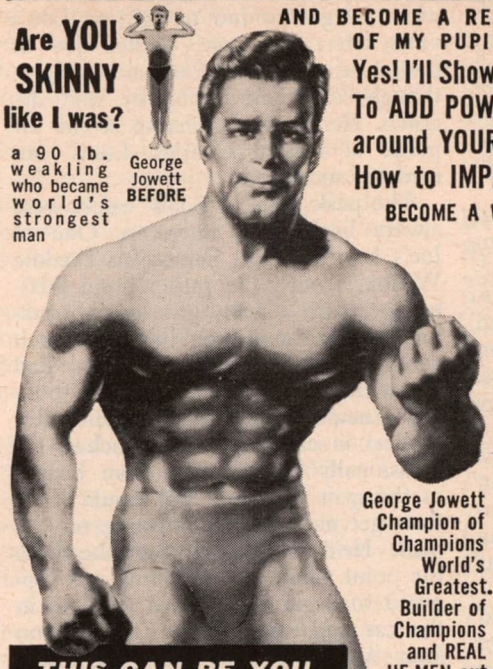

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EXIT: SPARRING PARTNERS!

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"I like to see 'Chappie' (the interchangeable nickname Louis and Blackburn had for each other) *pressed,"* Jack frequently confessed. *"'And this Nicholson, he's the best at it."*

The thing was that George, with a headguard, was almost impervious to Louis' heaviest punches. Moreover he had sound ring instincts . . . he'd see a move by Joe in the making, anticipate it and clobber him back.

As years moved by and Louis' maturity arrived, the champ's pride in himself demanded a showdown. One particular afternoon at Pompton Lakes, N. J., long the king's camp, he opened up on George and this time Nicholson didn't have the parries and the counters. To keep George from being hurt, they had to cut the workout short.

Satisfied that he'd proved himself boss, Louis never again poured it on against Nicholson. Their sessions continued nip-and-tuck, with the viewing public still thinking that George was having an edge.

Joe's loyalty to Nicholson remained after Blackburn's passing. When George became too old to work as a sparring partner, he was given the job of assistant trainer in charge of sparring partners.

Certainly the briefest tenure of a Louis sparring partner was that of Jersey Joe Walcott, many years before Walcott scaled the championship heights as a post-Louis ruler.

In fact, this was in 1936, when both were relative youths and Louis was training at Lakewood, N. J., for his ill-fated first bout with Max Schmeling.

To this day, the incident is clouded with controversy, although it is undisputable that Walcott left the camp after one day.

WALCOTT PICKED A PERK LOUIS OUT OF DOLDRUMS

As Jersey Joe told it, Blackburn had invited him to work with Louis because *"he (Blackburn) knew I could fight better than Louis and wanted to shake him (Louis) up, Joe had been getting lazy at that camp."*

Others who were on the scene insisted that Walcott had been hired as a matter of routine, merely to round out the staff.

In any event, Jersey Joe, always famous for surprise shots, slipped over a right hand that sent Louis to the canvas . . . didn't hurt him a lot but unmistakeably knocked him off his feet.

The round was soon over and here's where the versions differ most sharply.

Walcott said he was fired on the spot because he'd dropped Louis. Ike Gellis, New York Post sports editor, a publicist at the camp, maintained: *"Walcott was the one who quit. They wanted him to box some more that very day. They offered him a raise if he'd go one or two more rounds. He wasn't having any more of it."*

In a sense, Walcott justified his case when he got around to fighting Louis years later. He twice decked Joe in their Madison Square Garden title fight, though losing an unpopular split decision. He got to be champ at the expense of Ezzard Charles, Louis' immediate successor.

The peak years of Louis' career were always lively ones in camp. One of Joe's favorite hired hands was Freddie Wilson, a burly but rather timid Pittsburgher with a ready grin and a crackling laugh. Louis couldn't get much good work out of Wilson but he had fun with him.

Joe made a gag out of Freddie's disinterest in catching solid punches. He occasionally excused him from boxing in the gym with him but would more than get even in the morning on the road. He'd make him jog ahead to the point where the galloping was supposed to begin. Then he'd ride out in the car and say, *"Now, Freddie, you know we changed the route. Jog a mile further down, we'll start from there."*

Wilson had his own innings, however. Before every major fight, Louis would visit a leading men's store and outfit himself with new hand-tailored duds. Freddie would accompany him on these shopping expeditions. While Joe would be absorbed discussing some item with a salesman, Freddie would whisper to another salesman: *"Everything Joe gets, make it the same for me, he's making me a present of the stuff."*

Louis only learned about it when he received a bill for two set of clothes, instead of one.

WILSON ALONE WAS ABLE TO GET CLOSE TO LOUIS

The late Harry Mendel, who publicized Louis' camps in later years, pointed out that Wilson had a unique status with Joe.

"Most of the others, even Nicholson, never got close to Louis," he said. *"He was like a king, they were his subjects. They respected him and his privacy. But Wilson did as he pleased. I guess you'd call him the court jester."*

Dollar-wise, Louis' sparring partners probably were better off than any others in ring history. He was the first to pay $25 a round, when the dollar had a lot more purchasing value than today. He also saw to it that sparring partners had living conditions virtually as good as his own.

On the other side of the boxing coin there was the plight of sparring partners who were so unfortunate as to be in the employ of Tony Galento, animated beer barrel, who had his brief knockdown glory against Louis before being flattened.

In the Galento camp, all would be served their meals at the same time. But the gluttonous Tony, who ate more rapidly than anybody, would grab food off others' plates. And, if they objected, he'd sneer them down by snorting, *"Who pays for it, you bum!"*

Galento's inconsiderate behavior didn't end at the dinner table. He was ruthless during workouts. One session he butted open three cuts on the foreheads of as many sparring partners.

The late Joe Jacobs, his manager, screamed: *"It's tough enough to get people to work with him. Now he cripples them. I'd like to have used a bat on him."*

But there was one sparring partner with whom Galento didn't take liberties —an old fighter who came off the shelf for a day. This old fighter, who then had an interest in Tony's contract, gave him an unmerciful licking before a big crowd at Stillman's Gym.

The old fighter? Just Jack Dempsey! And, when Jack got finished, he snapped: *"If an old man like me can do that to Galento I'm through with him, I'm selling my interest as fast as I can."*

THREE SPARRING PARTNERS KEPT DEMPSEY IN VERSATILE FORM

In fact, Jack Kearns, who masterminded Dempsey when he was at his best, retained a staff of three top-notchers—Bill Tate for strength, Panama Joe Gans for speed and Jamaica Kid for the brawling. And, behind locked doors, they made him step, sometimes over as many as 10 rounds, which practically made the training a regulation fight.

It is curious that Kearns, who picked rank suckers whenever he could for Dempsey's fights on tour, barred nobody in training. Wait a minute, did we say nobody? Change that. There was one occasion on which Kearns ruled against somebody.

Here's the story: While preparing for a fight, Dempsey was training at the old Kelton Tennis Courts near Columbus Circle in New York, now the site of the recently erected New York Coliseum.

All the fight personalities would gather to watch Dempsey work and among these was the late Harry Greb, the middleweight champion, a fearless fighter—and a fearless talker.

Harry began heckling Kearns: *"Your big guy is the slowest thing I ever saw."*

Kearns' ire arose immediately. He was proud of Dempsey's agility for a heavyweight. But he didn't say anything, not for the moment.

Greb inserted the needle again: *"You know he's slow, I'd work with him. I'd speed him up . . . if it's the money that bothers you, I'll work for nothing."*

Kearns was furious. *"You asked for it,"* he yelled, *"go in with him."*

What then went on could be described as one of the most vicious tangles ever seen in any ring. Dempsey bobbing and weaving to get home with his big left hook, Greb hauling, twisting, butting, heeling, anything to get Dempsey off stride.

Late in the third round of their war, coming out of a clinch, Greb ripped a right hand shot at Dempsey's left eye and a cut was opened.

Without hesitation, Kearns jumped into the ring and broke them up. *"What are you trying to do, make us postpone the fight?"* he snarled.

Whatever he was trying to do, Greb had succeeded in making Dempsey look bad.

In the past, when upcoming young talent was vastly more plentiful than in recent years, such derring-do as Greb practiced against Dempsey was reproduced on a minor scale all over the map.

In other words, newcomers didn't get paid for working with a name fighter. It was a privilege that came to a few. The knowhow gained thereby was deemed more than adequate recompense. And the stars constantly were being paged by youngsters, who generally had a lurking idea of showing up the name guy.

There was the historic instance of James J. Jeffries as the sparring partner to Jim Corbett, both being managed by William A. Brady. For over a year the powerful but cumbersome Jeff was Corbett's patsy because few could move with the lightning-fast Gentleman Jim.

Eventually there came the night when a fully developed Jeffries fought a sliding Corbett and the obvious occurred—youth was served.

The sparring partner who gives his old employer a come-uppance is a familiar tale with a different twist or two in its various tellings.

Johnny Attell, now retired from active fight management but whose span of ring memory stretches back to World War I, pointed out that a fighter as great as Benny Leonard had been a sparring partner as a kid.

"Sure," he said, *"I used to see Benny training with Leach Cross. And he was happy to do it. . . . Leonard wasn't the only good young fighter who worked with him. Leach used to have his choice of Leonard, Willie Jackson and Irish Patsy Cline."*

"Funny thing," Johnny added. *"Cross always predicted a big future for Leonard and Jackson. But he couldn't have meant it. When it came to choosing one of these three to go to the West Coast where there was important campaigning, he took Cline. It was a terrible blow to Benny's pride."*

When an old-time manager put a volunteer sparring partner in the ring with his fighter, he sometimes had shocking results.

Once Joe Gould was trying to sell the contract on Harry Galfund, an established fighter. The buyer wanted to see him work. So Joe picked up an unknown kid working out in the gym to spar with Galfund. The lad proceeded to box the ears off Galfund. The buyer said: "Joe, keep your Galfund, a nothing kid showed him up." Galfund eventually disappeared from the scene but that kid, Jimmy Braddock, became heavyweight champion under Joe's management.

Many years ago, when Lou Ambers was just breaking into the boxing picture, he worked as a sparring partner for Tony Canzoneri, then lightweight champion.

After each workout, Tony, a man of the world, would relax in his dressing room by smoking a cigar. When Lou, zealous trainer and dedicated clean-liver, would see this, he'd say, *"Tony, that's terrible, don't do that, you'll hurt yourself."*

Later, Ambers became champion by beating Canzoneri. That night in the dressing room, the ex-champion lit an Havana cigar as he paused before dressing. Just then the door opened a little bit and Ambers stuck his head in.

"See Tony, I told you what would happen," he said with a grin.

Well, that's the parade that has passed by. A development medium for newer fighters as well as a tools-sharpening instrument for older ones, the institution of sparring partners must return if the fight game is going to be it old self again. And, so long as TV rules, it's unlikely to happen.

HEAVY CALIBRE SAME

(*Continued from page 21*)

The Manassa Mauler kept occupied by movies, stage and exhibition tours, and European trips, actually didn't defend his title for a three year stretch, from 1923 to 1926.

By the early Thirties the strong contenders who followed Tunney had begun to fade, and when Max Baer became champion in 1933 he faced such a shortage of opposition that Jim Braddock, a washed up light heavyweight came out of the past to win a chance at the carefree Californian and divest him of his royal robes in the biggest heavyweight title upset of the century.

Ten years ago in 1947, with Joe Louis still on the throne, the Ring rated the heavyweights thusly, Jersey Joe Walcott, Elmer Ray, Jimmy Bivins, Olle Tanberg, Pat Comiskey, Joe Baksi, Tami Mauriello, Lee Q. Murray, Phil Muscato and Turkey Thompson. There is little to choose between this grouping and the 1957 edition.

The contendership rosters have followed a familiar pattern down through the years and the present lineup is no exception. It has its quota of clever fellows (Pastrano, Folley), veteran holdovers (Archie Moore, Harold Johnson) hard hitters (Machen, Satterfield), big lumbering giants (Valdez, Holman), trial horses (Archie M'Bride), unorthodox maulers (Hurricane Jackson), overseas representatives (Johannsen, Besmanoff) and plodding busy bees (Harold Carter).

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

BOXING HIT A NEW LOW FOR THE MONTH IN FLORIDA IN SOME TIME. Only several shows were offered patrons at two points. Miami Beach and Tampa, and from what is understood the situation isn't too bright for the summer months. Jack Dempsey's appearance in Jacksonville for the Cerebral Palsy fight; Willie Pastrano's name linked with the top heavyweights and possible title opponent in the very near future; Bobby Lane's rise and closing among the bigger names; a televised boxing show for Jacksonville; former heavyweight boss Rocky Marciano's visit to Miami; Mike Shapiro's annexing Ring Magazine's Best Prospect tab, and Lou Viscusi with Bill Gore keeping Florida on the sports pages where all the fans in the Sunshine State had to digest since the last Ring issue.

▶ Juan Tejada, of Barcelona, Spain, worked constantly on the body and face of favorite Nilo Blanco, of Havana, Cuba and came out of the 10 round main event at Tampa with a split decision. The winner, at 150, outweighed the taller foe by five pounds. They gave the small gathering enough action to warrant a return bout. Blanco finally saw his victorious Tampa streak snapped.

▶ Carl Chastain seems to be hitting on all cylinders judging from his recent action bouts. The Brevard, North Carolina lightweight will be fighting in Miami soon under the wing of Dick Lee. Chastain has become a big card in his locale and is bidding for a state title bout with Robert Oliphant, who defeated Johnny O'Brien. When Carl leaves for Miami, with him may be Tommy Kilpatrick, a 155 pounder.

Ring Magazine's number three heavyweight didn't resemble that honor at the start but Willie Pastrano shifted into second gear, then third and won an easy 10 round decision over Neal Welch at Miami Beach. Willie was very heavy at 192 and this was his first bout since a nose break in a fight with John Holman last February. Welch tipped 209.

In the semi-final, Johnny O'Brien, 137, of West Palm Beach, took a corker from Pee Wee Sanchez, 135, Havana, in 10 rounds. Ricco Saunders, 154½, of Miami, bested Gene Cooper, 165, same city, in four. A four rounder was taken by Hymie Budow, 132½, Miami, over townsman Bobby Allen, 134½. The four between Larry Poitras, 155, and James Thomas, 153½, was a draw, both Miamians.

▶ Ray Griffin, of West Palm Beach, reports to the column on Joe Gray, who lost a split decision to Bobby Lane at Fort Lauderdale a few months back. Gray, the readers of Ring Magazine would like to know, is a Korean War veteran who lost part of his arm while saving the life of one of his buddies. This courageous young American has lost only one bout in 20 but really made himself known by holding the ranking Tiger Ralph Jones to a 10 round draw.

▶ Former heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey was right in the thick of the Battle of Cerebral Palsy in Jacksonville and the appearance of this extremely popular gentleman was tremendously appreciated by one and all. No small wonder why Jacksonville's quota went far, far above last year's and this year reached its pinnacle. With Dempsey were other sports greats, Joe DiMaggio, of baseball, and Rick Casares, of football. Thanks, Men.

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SOUTH OF THE BORDER

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Even though the best domestic boxing talent is now acting abroad, we still have some good cards here. During May, we had the usual bi-weekly shows with the following results:

▶David Cervantes, 146, decisioned Enrique Esqueda, 144, in 10, but the fans were not of the same opinion. Eduardo Guerrero, 117, stopped Chiquis Rosales, 116, in 9. Guillermo Gonzalez, 119, decisioned Manuel Rojas, 118, in 8. Heriberto Saucedo, 116, decisioned Alberto Soto, 117, in 6. Joaquin Fernandez, 123, decisioned Lino Bernal, 127, in 4.

▶Roberto Garcia, 128, stopped Julio Escobedo, 127, in 7. Escobedo got a shellacking from Garcia and could not come out for the seventh round. Enrique de la Cruz, 125, also known as Mofles de la Cruz, stopped Carlos Loyola, 132, in three. Enrique announced his retirement at the end of the match. Salomon Coronel, 136, stopped Agustin Moreno, 143, in 5. Cuervo Salinas, 108, stopped David Monroy, 107, in 2.

▶In a poor fight, Luis Gutierrez, 124, decisioned veteran Memo Sanchez, 119, in 10. Tony Alamillo, 125, stopped Indio Conde, 125, in 9. Ray Ruiz, 115, decisioned Luis Gallego, 119, in 8. Papelero Rodriguez, 116, decisioned Leonardo Lopez, 111, in 6. Pancho Segura, 123, outpointed Guillermo Vega, 119, in 4.

▶Joe Medel, hard-hitting boy, stopped Mario Ruiz, 110, in 8. Nacho Escalante, 114, stopped Avelino Felix, 117, in 6. Eloy Sanchez, 118, outpointed Norberto Cruz, 118, in 8. Arnulfo Palomares, 124, stopped Alberto Lima, 127, in 4. Roman Perez, 136, decisioned Mike Mendoza, 136, in 4.

▶Veteran Beto Carbajal, 131, stopped Ubaldo Ramirez, 135, in 8. Cachorro Meza, 124, stopped Tono Coria, 125, in 9. Rosendo Martinez, 118, decisioned Fili Maya, 117, in 8. Pollo Sanchez, 130, decisioned Lecherito Castro, 125, in 6. Chucho Hernandez, 112, stopped Babe Tinajero, 115, in 2.

▶Jorge Manjarrez, 126, decisioned Manuel Armenteros, 120, in 10. Mauro Vazquez, 127, stopped Kid Campeche, 127, in 8. Vazquez is a boy worth while watching. Enrique Castillo, 126, decisioned Emilio Olivares, 124, in 8. Gabriel Herrera, 127, stopped Nacho Negrete, 124, in 6. Erasmo Castaneda, 114, decisioned Angel Vargas, 116, in 4.

▶Fast and rugged Roque Fernandez, 119, decisioned Ernesto Castaneda, 119, in 10. Luis Buendia, 134, decisioned Juan Lemus, 132, in 10. Ray Ruiz, 114, decisioned Heriberto Saucedo, 116, in 8. Cuervo Salinas, 112, decisioned Pulgarcito Gutierrez, 109, in 6. Armando Sanchez, 135, decisioned Pedro Araujo, 130, in 4.

▶Joe Becerra, 119, decisioned Jose Luis Mora, 117, in 10, in the best fight of the month and perhaps one of the best we have seen in a long time. It was a close decision. Chucho Olmos, 143, defeated Enrique Saavedra, 144, by disqualification in 8. Nacho Rosales, 126, decisioned Chebo Vazquez, 125, in 8. Chucho Arreola, 117, decisioned Oaxaca Kid, 115, in 6. Tony Arizmendi, 125, stopped Joselin Gutierrez, 138, in 2.

▶Beto Gonzales, 135, stopped Apolinar Huerta, 135, in 4. Eduardo Guerrero, 115, decisioned Jorge Salazar, 118, in 10. Guillermo Gonzalez, 119, decisioned Rosendo Martinez, 118, in 8. Juan Leyva, 136, defeated Ray Martinez, 134, by disqualification in five. Pomoy Gonzalez, 131, decisioned Kid Alvarado, 134, in 4.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G.

MERIDA, YUC: Carlos "Baby" Ortiz, 129, outpointed Felipe "Babalu" Novelo, 130, in 10 rounds. Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sanchez, 114, iced Nando Carvajal, 118, in the sixth round. Manuel "Negrito" Alcala, 129, TKO'd Chico Tamayo, 134, in 3. Leoncito Tec, 103, TKO'd Chucho Perez, 104, in four rounds.

▶MERIDA, YUC: Negrito Medina, 114, beat Lázaro Uribe, 113, after ten rounds. Neón Kid (Jess Lozano), of Campeche, 132, defeated Carlos "Lincoln" Tamayo, 135, also in ten. Manuel "Negrito" Alcalá, 127, stopped Tony Salazar, 124, in five. Baby Méndez (not Javier), 116, won on a disqualification from Luis "Baby" Quijano, 114, in two.

▶MERIDA, YUC: The main event between Mike Hernández, 125, and Salvador Beberaje (Pantera de Champoton), 130, was halted by the referee in the seventh round, calling it "no contest". Beberaje was floored three times. Antero "Cubanito" González, 114, convincingly outpointed Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sanchez, 114, after ten good rounds. Panchito Estrella, 113, TKO'd veteran Delfin Gamboa, 114, in three. Luis "Baby" Quijano, 114, kayoed Chico Valdez, 114, in two. Luis is a brother of famous Víctor Manuel.

▶TIZIMIN, YUC: Peter Zapata, 112, bested Lázaro Uribe, 113, after ten rounds.

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BORDER BOXING NEWS
By L. "Borrado" Sanchez

The Arena Bomberos has been dark for about three months. But some other clubs are running shows in northern part of the Coahuila State.

▶Monclova, Coah.:—Gallito Ruiz, 126, edged out Otilio Galvan, 128, after a dull ten.

▶Monclova, Coah:—Teo Frias, 138, stopped Monterrey's Baby Vázquez, 135, in the 5th of scheduled ten.

▶Saltillo, Coah.:—Otilio "Zurdo" Galvan, 128, defeated Hildo Martínez, 122, in ten furious Rounds.

▶Acuña, Coah.:—Rudy Martínez, 135, kayoed Chino Flores, 136, in five rounds.

Charro II, 144, beat Chino Castillo, 146, in eight. Veteran Panchito Bolaños, 137, was too much for Toby kid, 135, and kayoed him in the 5th.

▶Monclova, Coah.:—Little Chuy Guerrero, 116, decisioned Manuel Rodriguez, 117, after fast ten rounds.

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LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ESTADIO SALTILLO, Saltillo:—Veteran Otillio "Zurdo" Galvan, 125, outweighed and outpointed Kildo Martinez, 116, in ten fast rounds.

▶ARENA "SAN PEDRO", San Pedro:— Ray Mejia, 138, halted Babe Ramirez, 140, in the eighth. Babe Mar, 125, kayoed Luis Rodriguez, 129, also in 8.

▶ARENA "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio:— Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 134, only needed half minute of the first round to send tough Kid Manolo Luna, 130, to sleep for good. Luis "Chivo" Diaz, 135, a read good prospect, iced Babe Serrano, 133, in four. Johnny Moreno, 137, stopped Octavio Salas, 134, in fifth.

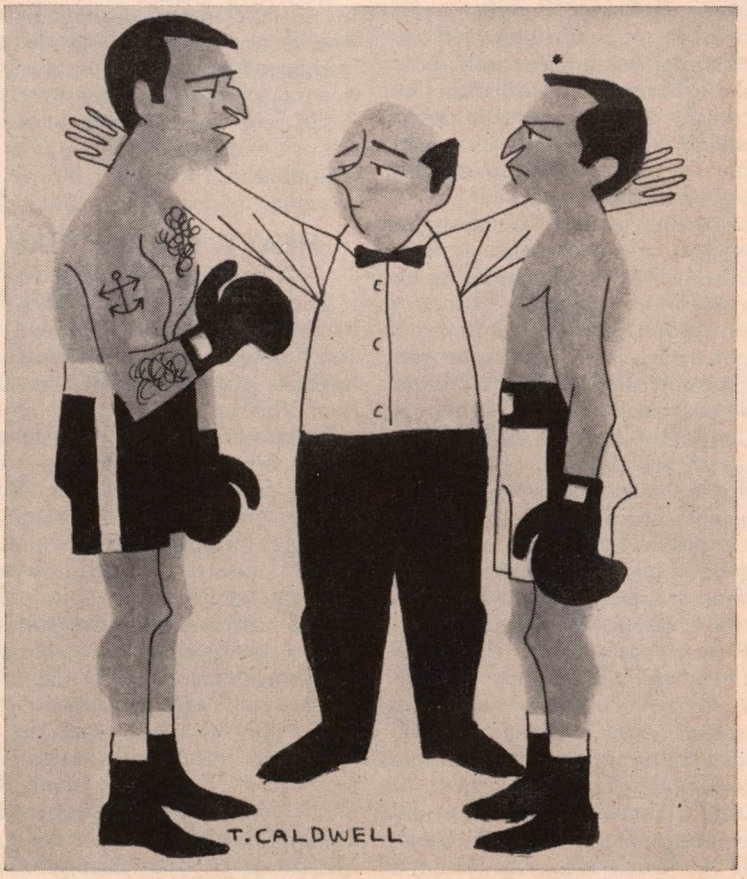
▶ARENA "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio:— Fidel Lucero, 128, gave a very hard right to Victor Manuel Quijano, 129, National featherweight king. The skinny craneman from American Smelting & Refining Co. fought disrespectfully against the Champ who got a very split ten round duke.

Sensational Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 132, embalmed Bobby Segura, 131, in the very first round. Ray Mejia, 136, decisioned Johnny Moreno, 135, in eight.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:— Alfonso Flores, 153, floored Jorge Castro, 158, National middleweight champion, three times to get the 10-round decision. Flores was too much man for the champ and we think that the Torreon Fighting Plumber will be the next middleweight king of Mexico. Hilario Morales, 121, surprised everybody when he knocked out Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez, 122, in nine rounds. Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 117, and Juanito Mendoza, 112, drew in eight.

▶ESTADIO SALTILLO, Saltillo:— Rogelio Saucedo, 121, easily decisioned veteran Luis Castillo, 123, in ten. The glorious Mighty Mite looks too old for the business.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:— Here is one for The Book! Hector Garcia, 129, the Durango Scorpion, hammered and beat Humberto Carrillo, 131, during eight full rounds. Garcia even had his man down on the floor once. When the ninth round was beginning, Hector slipped and went down; the referee, a 190 pounds guy, jumped over the downfallen fighter and landed with all his tons over Hector's ankle, luxating same. The official M.D. stopped the fight because the



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damage caused by the referee. Then, the Boxing Commission declared Hector Garcia the winner by a 9-round technical decision. In the scheduled 10-round semi, Marcelo Vargas, 129, stopped Toro Carranza, 131, in three.

▶MEXICALI:—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 124, National bantamweight champion, won a decision over Frankie Campos, 122, in ten. Arnold Hill (or Arnoldo Gil), 141, beat newcomer Raul Fuentes, 135, also in a tener.

▶NOGALES:— Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 120, was too wise for Tony Meza, 119, and he knocked out his boy in four rounds.

▶LEON:— Ezequiel Uribe, 135, stopped Jose Luis Dina, 137, in two. Victor Torres, 154, iced Rudy Jimenez, 158, in nine. Saul Becerril, 117, KO'd Firpito Gaytan, 113, in the fourth.

▶MATAMOROS:— Fidel Hernandez, 140, tough, cute and rough as always, halted Indio Ramos, 137, in five rounds.

▶SALINA CRUZ:— Javier Garfias, 120, bested Nicolas Flores, 123, in ten.

▶MONTERREY:— Claudio Adame, 121, La Laguna Tornado, stopped Estudiante Cardenas, 124, in the third. David Camacho, 132, outpointed Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 128, in ten.

▶GUADALAJARA:— Ernesto Castaneda, 118, and Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 115, drew in ten rounds. Schmeling Tapatio, 123, decisioned Joe Tinoco, 124, also in a tener.

▶LOS MOCHIS:— Kid Zacatecas, 150, scored a 5-round knockout over favorite Everardo Armenta, 145.

▶IRAPUATO:— Apolinar Huerta, 133, conquered Roberto Pinon, 135, in ten rolls; Joe Tinoco, 126, bested Kid Rodriguez, 128, also in ten.

▶GUADALAJARA:— Juanito Martinez, 134, got the duke over Reyes Lopez, 136, Guadalajara topnotcher, in ten wild rounds.

▶MONTERREY:— David Rodriguez, 119, surpassed Kid San Martin, 117, in ten rounds.

▶MONTERREY:— Hector Garcia, 131, landed a terrific right cross on Universitario Cantu, 136, and sent the university boy to sleep in two rounds. Chuy Guerrero, 115, overcame Vicente Guerrero, 113, in ten.

▶ACAPULCO:— Kildo Martinez, 113, nailed Chocolate Barrera, 118, in five rounds.

▶MONTERREY:— Claudio Adame, 121, whipped Hector Ramirez, 126, in ten rounds. Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 127, bested Raul Rivera, 131, also in ten. Juanito Rivera, 126, stopped Nicho Gonzalez, 129, in eight. The three winners are from La Laguna.

▶GUADALAJARA:— Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 114, former flyweight champion of Mexico, defeated Dusty Brown, 117, in ten rounds.

▶REYNOSA:— Otilio "Zurdo" Galvan, 125, scored a very good triumph when he decisioned David Rodriguez, 120, in ten.

▶ENSENADA:— Arnoldo Gil (or Arnold Hill), 143, had to work very hard to get a 10-round duke over Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 147.

▶NAVOJOA:— Everardo Armenta, 146, the Sonora pride, only needed two rounds to send Panadero Cardenas, 150, to sleep for keeps.

▶MONTERREY:— Former Pocket Battleship, Luis Castillo, 124, won a ten round unanimous decision over Panchito Villa II, 121.

▶ACAPULCO:— Kid Leoncito, 125, nailed Gildardo Bacho, 124, in two rounds.

▶REYNOSA:— Chucho Gonzalez, 119, stopped Ernesto Castaneda, 118, in only two rounds.

BOXING IN JUAREZ
By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM—Pimi Barajas, 121, Tiajuana, won over Eddie Luna, 114, Mexico City, in ten rounds. These boys put on a very good fight a few weeks before, ending with a win for Barajas. Felipe Uribe, 128½, El Paso, won over young Jesus Estrada, 128, Juarez, in six fast rounds. The more experienced Uribe was the stronger. Rodolfo Ibarra, 130, Torreon, won over Raul Tarango, 132, El Paso, 4. Freddie Rodriguez, 122, El Paso, won over Gualberto Serrano, 120, Juarez, 4, and Rafael Vazquez, 138, Torreon, won over Alejandro Castro, 140, Juarez, 4.

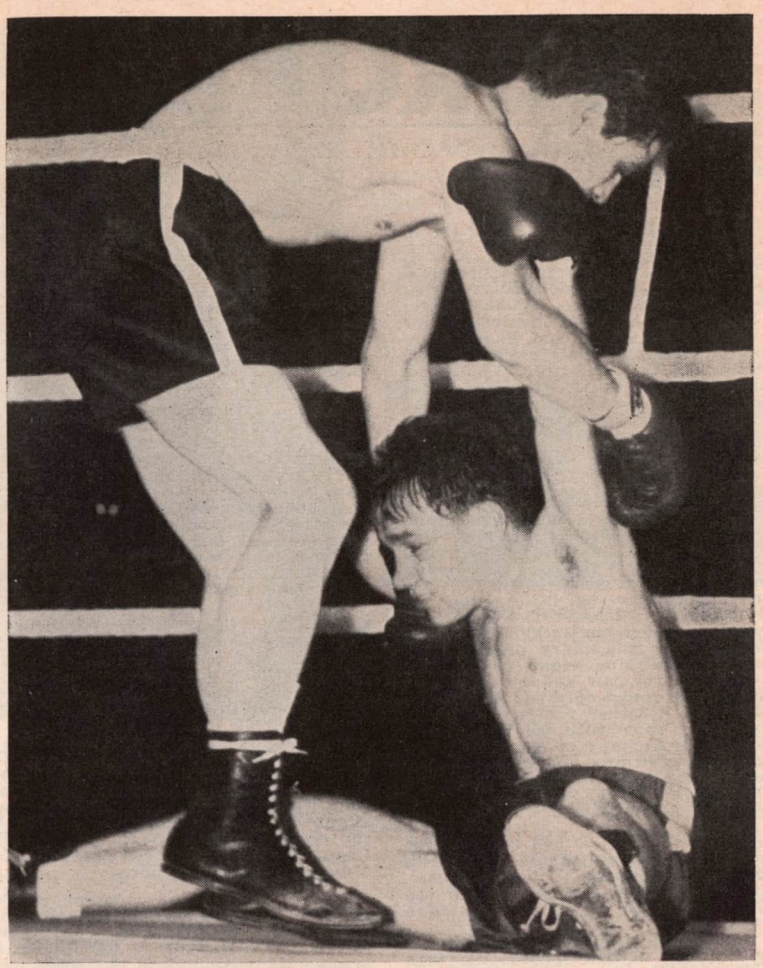
▶JUAREZ BULL RING—David Cervantes, 146, Mexico City, won a furious fight from Umberto Holguin, 144½, El Paso.

Alfredo Zuany, 190, Juarez, won easily by a K.O. in the second over Freddie Lewis, 178, Phoenix, in the semi-final.

Ray Terrazas, 145, El Paso, after a rocky first round, fought back gamely to beat Baby Ortiz, 144 Phoenix, in a very close 8 rounder.

Ramon Rodriguez, 128, Juarez, disposed of Raul Duran, 125, Juarez, in the second round. A terrific left-right combination finished the experienced Duran.

Jack Flores, 146, El Paso, won over Enrique Cardenas, 144½, Juarez. Flores looked terrific.



Oakland, Calif., Lightweight Johnny Gonsalves lends a helping hand to British Lightweight Champion Dave Charnley in the fourth round of their London bout. The English southpaw cracked the ratings by stopping Johnny with a eye cut in the eight round.

▶JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM—Baby Rodriguez, 127½, Juarez, scored an upset when he beat the veteran Beto Couary, 126, Vera Cruz. Rodriguez missed a lot, but scored heavy in the last two rounds to cop the nod.

Rodrigo Dueñas, 128, Torreon, last a very exciting fight to Raul Sanchez, 129, Chihuahua City. A big cut over Dueñas' right eye forced the referee to stop the bout in the fourth round. Dueñas was down in the third round.

Pete Melendez, 118, El Paso, had a very poor start as a pro, but he had enough to win a disputed decision over Mario Ibarra, 114, Torreon.

Indio Torres, 120, El Paso, won over Gualberto Serrano, 119, Juarez, 4.

"Pelucas" Melendez, 140, Juarez, won his second fight as a pro. He stopped Jesse Burke, 137, El Paso, in one.

▶JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM—Joey Reyes, 126, Juarez, won an unpopular verdict over Jimmy Lassiter, 128, Los Angeles.

Joe Castañeda, 147½, Torreon, won in 8 over Ray Terrazas, 146½, El Paso. Terrazas missed badly when he had Castañeda in trouble.

Bobby Garcia, 135, El Paso, had a terrific start as a pro, stopping Negro Calvera, 135, Zacatecas, in the first round.

Rogelio Cortes, 132, Juarez, won over Jesus Lopez, 132, Juarez, in a very good four rounder.

Baby Cora, 114, Juarez, won over young Mario Moreno, 112, Juarez, 4.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

Arena Colon, Colon: Promoter Luis Craig presented an all star card and in the main event Fenley Hooker, 131, made his first start over the ten round route a winning one by outpunching Rodolfo Francis, 127, to gain a unanimous decision. Francis, who has now lost three in a row, looked shopworn.

Edwin Sykes, 120, outpointed Salvador Molina, 118, in a slow six rounder; Valentin Brown, 127, won unanimously over Alfonso Stewart, 125, in a good four rounder, and Arturo Smith, 124, scored over Victor Smith, 126, in another four rounder.

JAMAICA BOXING NEWS
From Ken Jones

Leroy Morgan, 150, contender for Jamaica's welterweight title, scored an easy ten-round victory over Willie 'Kid' Johnson, 151½, at Sabina Park. The Miamian was never in the fight at anytime, he seldom threw a punch and only saved himself from a kayo by hiding as much as he could from Moragn's assault.

In the semi-final of promoter Stanley Moir's card, George Knowles gave Hugh Serville a battering in their welter contest. Overcoming the handicap of a closed eye, George wore down his man with heavy body blows and put him down for good in the 8th round.

Middleweight Atomic Johnson reversed a six-round verdict scored over him by Dudley Garwood a few weeks before. Vivian Hayles, 138½, scored a TKO over Arnold Morrison, 145, in two heats.

▶Kid Bange, getting his third shot at Emilio Sanchez, lifted the lightweight title from Emilio's bloody head after fifteen rounds of dull fighting.

Veteran middleweight Karl Whilby came out on top in his bout with the vaunted young star Allan Harmon, winning a unanimous decision.

Keiffer Edwards, long-standing amateur made his professional debut impressively in the lightweight class, stowing away the tough Charlie Tyrell. .

The lightweight tussle between Vivian McKenzie and George Douglas almost ended in disaster when Douglas broke his hand early in the first round. He kept on fighting and was floored three times in the second heat when his second Charlie Gooden leaped into the ring to enforce his fighter's disqualification. The referee had made no move to stop the battle. Board officials, angered by the incident, suspended Gooden for the night and later slapped on a fine when the referee complained against Charlie.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

CONTINENTAL scrappers experienced varying fortunes in their outings during the past month. Ingo Johansson retained his heavyweight title against Henry Cooper and the Italian, Marconi, likewise disposed of the claims of another Englishman, Peter Waterman, in Rome. But Wim Snoek lost out to Burgues in Uruguay and Willi Besmanoff lost for the first time in America. Edgar Basel and Laszlo Papp, two of the most outstanding amateurs of post-war Europe, both made successful pro debuts during the month. Here are the results:

▶ **Stockholm,** Sweden—11,000 fans packed the Johanneskov Ice Stadium here when Ingo Johansson made his first appearance this year. The Swede, 199, defeated Britain's Henry Cooper, 194, who was challenging Johansson for his European crown. For the first few rounds there was little action and the crowd became restless. The fight continued at long range until the fifth, when Johansson saw a momentary opening and flashed over paralyzing right. It caught Cooper flush on the jaw and he sacked to the boards. The round only had 13 seconds to go but the Britisher couldn't beat the count. On the same bill, Olle Bengtsson outscored Paddy Delargy of Eire in a middles eight after downing him in the second and Jim Cooper, brother of Henry, was ruled out in the seventh round for a low blow in his bout with Albert Finch.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—Duilio Loi had to open the box and pull out a few bangers to keep up with fiery Hoacine Khalfi at the Ice Palace. The Algerian crowded Loi and forced the pace. Loi's win over ten rounds was close but well-earned.

Mino Bozzano slammed out Marcel Limage of Belgium, who retired during the fifth after taking a shellacking and Gianni Zuddas whipped Pierre De Souza, French bantam, over eight. Giancarlo Brusa licked Paulon and Salvatore Burruni beat Sguaita in a flyweight six.

▶ **Viterbo,** Italy—Luigi Male is still going strong. He defeated Mohamed Tedjini in a middles eight and at **Bergamo,** Gino Rossi got the better of Lou Mourros in a middles ten.

At **Trieste,** Giordano Campari repeated a previous win over Aldo Pravisani in a feathers ten. Campari remains undefeated.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain. Antonio Diaz knocked the daylights out of Lopez Durban in a bantam affair and forced the latter to retire in the seventh. Dieter Wemhoner, German middleweight, put the skids under Juan Amaya in round two and Jose Luis Martinez bruised out a points win over Antonio Rius in a feathers eight.

At **Bilbao,** Tanny Campo drew with the Moroccan, Ben Ali, in a bantam ten and Jacinto Santin got the nod over Jose Cadalso in a feathers eight. Heinz Sattler returned to the familiar Spanish stamping-grounds and trounced Francisco Frances in a good middles ten.

▶ **Paris.** At the Salle Wagram, Dante Bini kept in action by stepping out a clear points win over Moncef Fehri. Moroccan bantam, in ten. Andre Drille stopped Gabriel Assaga in the tenth round. Roger Menotti iced Pellerin in the eighth of a lightie larrup.

At **Coutances,** Roger Cappato laced Andre Jasse in a bantam ten and Gilbert Chapron continued his march by chilling Lasko in the opening session of a cruiser bout.

In **Paris,** at the Central, Roger Malatrez upset Jean Poisson in a good middles ten.

▶ **St Omer,** France. Roger Facqueur scored a clear points win here over Maurice Maury in a welter ten and at **Dijon,** Andre Valignat recovered lost prestige by whipping local feathers star Salvatore Vangi in ten.

At **St. Jean de Luz,** Victor Pepeder nodded Andre Pierson in a feathers ten and at **St. Brieuc,** Robert Tartari was held to a draw by Lecozannet in a bantam ten. Gilbert Lavoine kept busy at **Laon,** and stopped Stanis Pasek in the seventh of a middles slam while at **Tours,** Jean Guerrard set 'em alight again by stopping Charles Bohbot in the second of a flyweight frenzy. Gilbert Chapron chilled Alberto Yanguas in the fourth of a middles affair.

▶ **Essen,** Germany. Archie Moore won by a clear margin his first bout in Germany, before a crowd of 10,000 at the Dubois Arena, beating Hans Kalbfell in 10 rounds.

Erwin Hack outpunched Edgar Boy Hernandez, Indonesia, in a heavies eight and Don Ellis drew with Karlheinz Bucher in a fumbling cruiser six. Joe Buck fought an inspired feathers affair with Kurt Krahnen, dropping the latter five times before his corner slung in the towel during the fifth while Karlheinz Guder thumped out a narrow points win over Herbert Soodmann in a middles eight. Hans Ducree licked Herbert Sowa in a middles six.

▶ **Marseilles—France—**Valere Benedetto was not unduly troubled by Pierre Mondino in their title bout. Benedetto forced the pace as usual and had a clear advantage when Mondino was ruled out in the fourteenth for irregularities.

Mohamed Omari outdistanced the Belgian lightie champ, Jo Woussem, over ten and Gracieux Lamperti stopped Juan Oscar Alvarez, Belgo-Spanish feather, in the fifth.

At the **Paris Central** Ray Benard got the duke over Alf Vaillant in a bantam eight and a few days later, same venue, Rene Barriere trimmed Ali Oura in a feathers ten.

▶ **Kiel,** Germany—Willy Schagen was defeated by Gerhard Hecht in ten.

Manfred Neuke became the new lightweight king by knocking out Karlheinz Fiederichs in seven rounds. Fiederich has decided to hang up the gloves. Ernst Zetzmann won over Gerd Muller in a welter six and Horst Niche licked Serge Barthelemy in a cruiser six. Uwe Janssen won over Wenzel Bociek in a good cruiser six.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—Chico Santos continued to do well in Sunny Spain by boxing his way to a clear points win over Eugenio Cifuentes in a welter ten.

▶ **Turin,** Italy—Still waiting for a title-shot against Hecht, Artenio Calzavara checked in with a points win over Serge Leveque, French cruiser, while Antonio Crosia returned to action with a decision over Gian Alfonsetti in a heavies eight. Mario Vecchiato kept his rating by punching out a win over Jean Patermotte, Belgian lightie, over eight.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy—Guido Mazzinghi was sadly below par in his middles ten with Ahmed Boulgroune but won well enough on points, while Rocco Mazzola edged out clever Don Ellis, the Washington cruiser, over eight. Bruno Scarabellin decked Horst Herold of Germany no less than nine times before the bout was stopped in the fourth and in another good set-to, Ottavio Panunzi halted Hans Strelecki in the third of a cruiser affair. Elio Busetto stopped Scoccimarro in the fifth heat of a lightie outing and Nobile nodded Mazzari in a feathers six.

▶ **Brussels,** Belgium—In a whirling affair, blond Aime Devisch grabbed back his national feathers title from Jean Renard by stopping the latter in six rounds at the Stadium. Abel Soudan continued to do well by stepping into the middles division and edging out Robert Guivarch over ten whilst Jacques Prigent showed a return to old form by trouncing young Jean Hoeffler in a good welter ten.

▶ **Paris**—At the Salle Wagram, Sauveur Chiocca disputed a last bout before sailing for Australia and disposed of Simon Soriano with a knockout in the seventh of a one-sided welter affair. Abdelkader Azzouz, another clouter from Constantine in Algeria, showed the makings of a future champ by stopping Maurice Libeer in the seventh of a bantam bee. Abed iced Zeghadi in the second of a lightie scrap and Pommier stopped Corrade in the second of a welter duel.

▶ At **Limoges,** Charles Colin was again forced to a drawn decision when he defended his national cruiser title against Jacques Bro, over fifteen rounds. Bro had the fight in his pocket by the tenth but Colin staged a tremendous comeback and battered the local from pillar to post.

At **Casablanca,** Manola Garcia kept very busy by halting Louis Carrara in the sixth round of a lightie affair and Jo Ventaja fought for the first time as a professional in his own bailiwick, knocking out game Belarmino Fragoso, the Portuguese shoeblack, in eight.

▶ **Rheims,** France—The promising young Belgain welter, Jean Vlaemynck, was brought in to defy stiff-clouting Jacques Herbillon, the Pale Puncher. The local slamster had too much on the ball for Vlaemynck, who was counted out in the fourth. Jean Michaud halted Jean Muller in the opening session of a welter clash.

At **St. Dizier,** Mario Ciccarelli returned to the fray against Michel Francois and was stopped in nine rounds for his trouble.

▶ **Siena,** Italy, Ilario Tanselli looked good here in whipping Roberto Spina in a bantam eight.

At **Chiavari**—Mino Bozzano disposed of Bonino Allevi in the fourth of a heavies slam and Danilo Giusti edged out a win over Crampont, Martinique feather, over six.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

MONTH ENDING JUNE 21, 1957

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Hans Stretz (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)
3. Wm. Besmanoff (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
4. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Valere Benedetto (F)
5. Hans Friedrich (G)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
6. Jose Gonzales (S)	Charles Colin (F)	Max Resch (G)	Umb. Vernaglione (I)
7. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Pedro Klyssen (H)	Guido Mazzinghi (I)	Bruno Visintin (I)
8. Emile Vidal (F)	Sandro D'Ottavio (I)	Louis Trochon (F)	Gunter Hase (G)
9. Uber Bacilieri (I)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Ben Buker II (S)
10. Mino Bozzano (I)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Andre Drille (F)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Felix Chiocca (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Laouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Rudi Langer (G)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Andre Gasperini (F)
5. Fred Galiana (S)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Piero Rollo (I)	Guy Schatt (F)
6. Piet v. Klaveren (H)	Jo Ventaja (F)	Luis Romero (S)	Jose Ogazon (S)
7. Mario Vecchiato (I)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Jean Guerrard (F)
8. Fernand Nollet (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Robert Tartari (F)	Christian Marchand (F)
9. Guy Gracia (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Dante Bini (F)	Francisco Carreno (S)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Hein v. d. Zee (H)	Edgar Basel (G)

LEGEND: B Belgium; F France; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

▶ **Hamburg,** Germany—After his destruction of Gerhard Hecht, Yolande Pompey was fully confident of cleaning up the rest of Germany's cruisers. Willi Hoepner had lost credit since the Chuck Spieser knockout and the veteran southpaw didn't figure to upset Pompey's American plans. But the Calypso Clouter never found an answer to Hoepner's style and the wiry Teuton won the bout in 10 rounds. The win was an easy one.

Erich Walter outpointed the elusive Ali Amrane, a wily Algerian veteran who has never been knocked out, over eight rounds and Albert Westphal upset the forward march of Horst Niche by stopping him in the sixth of a cruiser clash. Gunter Hase outfought Ali Belkacem in a good welter eight. Dangerous Manfred Hass edged out Mohamed Taibi, the Blue Man of Morocco, in a hard middles four and Helmut Mistol whipped Maurice Maury in a welter six.

▶ **Rotterdam,** Holland—A definite obstacle was overcome by Leen Jansen when he narrowly outpointed the Anglo-Dane, Martin Hansen, over ten hard rounds here. Hein van der Zee scored over Eddy Roelandt in a bantam eight and Jo Lamers iced Georges Bracco Martinique, with a right during the second session of a middles bout. Frits van Kampen earned a draw with Sandy Manuel, Nigerian welter champ, over eight and Toon Schuurmans stopped Carl van Neste, ex-amateur champ of Belgium, in the third of a welter slam.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—Fred Galiana tied the scalp of yet another French lightweight to his belt when he disposed of Jean Santanbien at the Gran Price. Cut over the left eye and bleeding from the nose, the gallant visitor was taken out of action during the tenth **heat.**

Chico Santos met with the second defeat of his successful Spanish campaign when he was outscored by the former champion, Manuel Salcedo of Valencia, in a good welter eight. Jose Crespo fought a good draw with Jose Cadalso in a feathers eight.

▶ **Berlin,** Germany—Just how good Gustav Scholz really is, remains a matter for conjecture. A crowd of 6,000 saw Gus the Great step in and throw one of his left hand exploder switches to the midriff of Tino Albanese in the opening round of their middles clash at the Sports Palace and, suddenly, it was all over. Albanese has never before been knocked out and had just recently gone the distance with Peter Muller and Leen Jansen.

Gunter Hase made the best scrap of the evening, whipping Michel Masson in an excellent middles eight.

▶ **Le Mans,** France—Jacques Herbillon bumped into an unexpected snag when he took on the Spanish welter king, Ben Buker II. The Moroccan admittedly took a count in the last round and was often badly shaken by the Pale Puncher but kept his distance and returned the fire well enough to cop the verdict over Herbillon.

At the **Paris Central,** Cyprien Carrie drew with Moustique Meslem in a good feathers eight and **Asnieres,** Roger Prigent likewise drew with Marcel Signet in a lightweight ten.

▶ **Pesaro,** Italy—Nello Barbadoro iced Eugene Servais of Belgium in the third heat of a feathers fray and at **Brescia,** Santo Amonti debuted in the paid ranks by stopping the German cruiser, Manfred Heimann, in four.

At **Pavia,** Giordano Campari put the skids under Rene Beolet in the tenth and last round of their feathers slam and Bruno Fortilli checked Giuliano Bianchi in the fifth of a cruiser clash.

▶ **Florence,** Italy—In a tearaway lightweight ten, Nedo Stampi upset Ray Paini by whipping him clearly on points.

In **Genoa,** Mino Bozzano made it eight out eight by soundly whipping the Belgian cruiser. Louis Debolster over eight rounds.

At **Monza,** Letterio Petilli finally got back to the winning side by outclassing Gastone Casarico in a hard feathers ten.

▶ **Paris**—Christian Marchand, who is making great strides in the flyweight division, added to his laurels by knocking out Hilaire Gaviano in four rounds.

At **Cannes,** Roger Cappato scored over Jose Alvarez in a bantam eight.

▶ **Brussels**—At the Sports Palace, Alain Cherville scored his eighth straight win by stiffening Alois Senn, Austrian heavy, in six rounds.

At **Courtrai,** Andre Cottyn shattered Andre Van Dyck in the fifth of a cruiser clash.

▶ **Rome**—The non-title clash between heavies champ Uber Bacilieri, 201, and promising Mario De Persio, 204, did not prove much.

Bacilieri retired with an injured knee. Mario Vecchiato won very handily over Cipriani and Caruso outfought Mafaldo Rinaldi in two lightweight scraps and in a good welter bout, Franco Pinto edged forward another slot by outscoring the veteran Luigi Male over eight. Scisciani obliged Orfeo Meneghini to retire during the third round with a damaged nose, in a middles maul and Lampa drew with Silo in a welter six.

Unbeaten Jo Ventaja, with ten straight wins, seven by kayos, in his first ten months of professional campaigning, is touted as one of European's outstanding featherweight prospects. Ventaja is in capable hands, a member of Philippe Filippi's notable stable which includes Charley Humez, Cherif Hamia and Alphonse Halimi.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy—In main event, big Bruno Scarabellin, 191, threw a scare into Francis Coeuret, 190, and lambasted the Breton into surrender inside two rounds while Ottavio Panunzi, 175, was obliged to go the full distance of six rounds to outscore the crafty Gino Menozzi, 168, a Franco-Italian. Raimundo Nobile was in convincing form, stopping Cosimo Pezzuto in the third heat of a feathers bout.

▶ **Rome**—At the Foro Italico, a crowd of 9,000 booed the drawn decision at the end of the European title bout between holder Emilio Marconi and challenger Peter Waterman. The thirty-year old Italian had little difficulty with the highly-touted punching of Waterman and more or less dictated the fight on his own terms. Admittedly, he was again guilty of doubtful tactics, but the Londoner still was rather lucky to get a draw. Franco Pinto was again in action, also obtaining a draw with the British Guiana welter, Al Brown, over eight rounds.

▶ **Paris**—After a very close bout at the Sports Palace, Seraphin Ferrer was awarded a draw against the top-ranking American, Ralph Dupas.

At **Biarritz,** Andre Drille became new French middles champ by outpointing Gilbert Lavoine over fifteen rounds in the huge Roman auditorium.

WILDCAT PROMOTIONS

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partner. Norris' promotions have been financed by television, and Lence has gone to the same source for financial backing.

Lence has Patterson. He aspires, as Jacobs did before him, to become the leading fight promoter. Whether he succeeds remains to be seen. He has come up with Hurricane Jackson, the No. 1 contender, to oppose Patterson for the title. What manner of man is Lence?

Lence is 39 years old, standing 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 150 pounds. He was born in Brooklyn, now lives with his wife and two small children in Forest Hills, L. I. Lence is an Italian name, and the promoter says if properly pronounced it would be "Lenchay."

JACK KEARNS AND JACK DEMPSEY WHO HELPED MAKE TEX RICKARD AN OUTSTANDING PROMOTER.

He owns and operates a successful dress goods business in New York's crowded Garment District. He also owns Eastern Parkway Arena, a roller skating rink in Brooklyn, where Patterson fought many of his early battles. Jackson fought there too, until Emil's TV contract expired. This forced him to close down Eastern Parkway as a fight club.

"I know from my experience at Eastern Parkway how tough it is to buck Norris, his millions and the Garden," said Lence. "They get $24,500 a show from TV. The most I ever received at the Parkway was $12,000.

"I think I proved competition was good for boxing. In the dress business there are thousands of firms. Competition in the Garment District is terrific, and yet we manage to live with each other. I believe it will be the same in boxing. It is a matter of giving the public what it pays for. I think there is room enough in boxing for both Norris and myself."

Time will tell. Over the years other independents have challenged the Garden and its associates for control of the cauliflower industry. Humbert J. Fugazy gave Rickard a battle, promoting such outstanding title battles as the Harry Greb-Mickey Walker middleweight bout, and the Jack Delaney-Paul Berlenbach light-heavyweight fracas.

Fugazy was beaten in the end. Jacobs, on the other hand, waged a successful battle against Johnston and the Garden. The Tournament of Champions had a couple of big ones, the third Tony Zale-Rocky Graziano fight, and the Marcel Cerdan-Zale bout before it sold out to Norris.

Now Lence comes to bat. Will he hit a home run, or will he strike out? It has been a long time since Shelby.

Floyd Patterson, left, heavyweight champion and his challenger, "Hurricane" Jackson, right, pose for publicity photo with Emil Lence, promoting their title fight.

JACKSON-PATTERSON TEE OFF FOR TITLE

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They point with logic to the psychological buildup that goes with being the heavyweight champ. That Patterson has gained stature reflected in his mental attitude there is no doubt.

In his relations with the press he has gained a noticeable poise that is bound to give him a greater confidence against Jackson.

Patterson is the champ. He knows what that name means and coupled with his crushing of Moore, will go into the Jackson fight with a different feeling than he did in their first meeting.

He is confident that he is the better fighter, confident that he is the best puncher among the heavies and confident that he is going to be the champ for a long time.

He brings into the ring with him a score of thirty-one wins and only one loss out of thirty-two fights. He's knocked out twenty-one opponents.

The loss was a muchly disputed decision to Joey Maxim. Many present at ringside that night thought he deserved the decision.

Patterson disagrees with Jackson as to their coming meeting. But then that is normal. Both lads expect to win but only one can be right.

But Patterson disagrees on more than one issue with Jackson. *"I'm not going to say what Jackson said about being willing to fight for nothing, no sir! The last fight was a tough one for both of us and this coming one will be just as rugged and I only hope that the people get their money's worth."*

He added *"And I don't mind being paid to fight Jackson."*

This is understandable since the champ has earned very little since he won his title.

We recall an interview with Patterson, an almost unbelievably honest, open-faced person, just prior to his fight with Jackson.

Much prying brought out the disclosure that he had knocked Jackson down during a sparring session early in their careers.

Could he do it again? *"I don't know,"* answered Floyd, *"He's a tough guy to fight but I think I have him figured."*

Floyd was right, Jackson was a tough guy and Patterson didn't knock him out but he did have him figured.

Gus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, feels sure *"Patterson will murder Jackson."* He further states: *"Before the race is completed Patterson will go down in history as the greatest fighter who ever lived."*

Whether or not D'Amato's prophesy comes true or not, Patterson will go down in history as the first heavyweight champion of the world to fight out of Mt. Vernon, New York. The fight will go down in history as the first heavyweight championship contest in which both champ and challenger live in the same town.

Jackson has built a home in Mt. Vernon and has moved with his family from Far Rockaway. Hence the two neighbors will fight it out and no matter who wins Mt. Vernon will be able to point with pride to *"their"* heavyweight champ.

The contest bids well to bring back a measure of prestige to New York which in recent years has seen its influence slowly ebbing as a result of the road fights eminating from Chicago, Detroit and other cities and piped through video to the public.

As 1957 was born Gotham was no longer the leading fistic cradle of the boxing world but with a heavyweight championship bout scheduled for July and a new New York promoter in the field, the largest city in the world may once again become the center of the boxing world.

Floyd-Hurricane

22 Patterson	Ages	25 Jackson
6 ft.	Height	6 ft. 3 in.
183 lbs.	Weight (expected)	193 lbs.
71 in.	Reach	80 in.
38 in.	Chest (Normal)	37 in.
40 in.	Chest (expanded)	39 in.
16½ in.	Neck	16 in.
32½ in.	Waist	32 in.
12¾ in.	Fist	13 in.
15½ in.	Calf	16 in.
9½ in.	Ankle	8¼ in.
21½ in.	Thigh	25 in.
14¼ in.	Biceps	14 in.
12 in.	Forearm	12 in.
6 in.	Wrist	6½ in.

NOW YOU KNOW . . .

BUDDY SCOTT, ranking heavyweight before the war, lives in Burbank and is a construction worker in West Covina, Calif. . . . **HURRICANE STEVE HAMAS** recently ran for mayor of his hometown, Wallington, N. J. . . . **DAVE SHADE,** who fought them all, operates the Ocean Aire Motel on Route 1, New Smyrna, Fla. . . . **MEYER (K. O.) CHRISTNER,** who didn't start fighting until he was thirty and in 1929 defeated Johnny Risko and Ernie Schaaf, operates a bowling alley in Cumberland, Md.

SAVERIO TURIELLO, the Italian welter of the Thirties who campaigned in the U. S. for many years, has a nite spot, the Piccolo Club on Second Avenue in New York. . . . **SAMMY ANGOTT,** lightweight champ in the 1940's, is a YMCA instructor in Massillon, Ohio. . . . **FREDDIE (RED) COCHRANE,** welter kind at the same time, is the owner of the Hillside Tavern in New Jersey. . . . **MICKEY WALKER,** the old Toy Bulldog, in good spirits and working for National Distilleries in New York.

BUD RAINEY, Arizona light heavyweight champ in the late 1920's, is an auto dealer in Clifton, Ariz. . . . **JACK STELZNER,** California heavyweight before the turn of the century and former captain with the San Francisco police force, is in retirement. . . . **PAUL PENDER,** Brookline, Mass., middleweight in the early 1950's, now works as a fireman.

ALLIE STOLZ, Newark, N. J., lightweight who was defeated in attempt to win title from **SAMMY ANGOTT** in 1942, and **PADDY DE MARCO,** lightweight champ in 1954, are teaming up to go into show business. . . . **PAT COMISKEY,** the heavy punching Paterson, N. J., heavyweight of the 1940's, a regular performer in films in Hollywood.

LOU AMBERS, lightweight champ (1936-1938) moved from Herkimer, N. Y. several years ago and is living in Phoenix, Ariz. . . . **PHIL WALLACH,** of the Fighting Cross Family, has been in the chemical business in Florida for the past twenty years. . . . **CHUCK DAVEY,** the original TV idol, is an insurance man in Detroit and reached the million dollar mark in policies sold the first year.

PETE ZIVIC operates a tavern in The Strip, Pittsburgh, while brothers **JACK** and **EDDIE** are employed by the postal department and **FRITZIE,** one-time welter king, sells autos. . . . Crowd-pleasing **MORRIS REIF,** the Brooklyn battler with a punch (1940's) is a paper hanger contractor in the Brownsville section of the Borough of Churches.

GEORGIE LATKA, the California Czech lightweight who was going great guns on the West Coast before the war, is a referee and recently moved into a Van Nuys rancho. . . . **JESSE UNDERWOOD,** Charleston, W. Va. lightweight of a decade ago, is chief of police of his hometown. . . . **TOM HEENEY** who fought Gene Tunney for the title, has a tavern in Miami Beach, as does **AL NETTLOW,** Detroit welter before the war.

SOLLY SCHUMAN, former Chicago feather, now makes his home in San Francisco.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

(Continued from page 41)

Fugazy must be crowding 70 by now, but the old boy apparently hasn't lost much of his energy and enthusiasm. . . . Son of an Italian banker, Fugazy stirred up quite a to-do during the '20s when he became a promotional rival of Tex Rickard's. Jack staged the big Italian Hospital Fund card at the Polo Grounds in which Harry Greb retained the middleweight title in a gruelling brawl with welterweight champion Mickey Walker. On the same bill, Harry Wills stopped Charley Weinert and Dave Shade turned in his startling knockout of Jimmy Slattery. . . . Another Fugazy production was the light-heavyweight title affair between Paul Berlenbach and Jack Delaney at Ebbets Field, when nearly 50,000 clients contributed a gate of $461,789. . . . Fugazy had long been active in boxing. In his youth, he had ring ambitions of his own. Using the name "Jack Lee," he was a promising lightweight until his parents persuaded him to quit fighting. Jack retained his interest in boxing, however, and through the years was associated with several prominent fighters. He was the original sponsor of a young British immigrant who, as Freddie Welsh, went on to become world lightweight champion. Fugazy also managed Jimmy Goodrich when the Scranton-Buffalonian won the lightweight title. . . . Fugazy's big ambition was to build an arena to compete with Madison Square Garden, but his hopes never materialized. . . . He began to drift away from boxing during the early '30s, and not much had been heard of him by the fight crowd until now. . . . Lots of luck in your new undertaking, Jack.

THE FINAL BELL . . . Although it was generally known that he'd been bothered by an ailing ticker, it was a shock nevertheless to hear of Jack Mintz's passing in a Pittsburgh hospital. . . . A likeable sort was Jake, and a colorful character in the trade. A fair sort of boxer in his younger days, he turned to managing and promoting when his fighting career ended. . . . Jake's main achievement, of course, was to co-manage Ezzard Charles into the world heavyweight title. . . . Jake's quaint use of the English language was an outstanding characteristic. He was funnier than any of the legendary Hollywood moguls. We recall one of the New York newspaper boys, interviewing him for the first time, asked him how he spelled his name. "M-i-n-t-z, just like in mince pie," Jake explained. . . . We often thought TV producers missed a good bet by not matching that Malaprop pair, Mintz and Mushky Jackson in a debate on boxing. We don't know who'd have won, but we do know who'd have been the loser—Webster. . . . The report from Pittsburgh said Jake was 57 when he died. The fight crowd will miss him.

AMERICO SCHIAVONE

A boxing judge for ten years, and two years ago appointed Chief Inspector on the N. Y. State Boxing Commission, Americo Schiavone is now the proud owner of a high class restaurant and bar called AMERICO'S—featuring "The Rocky Marciano Room", the ex-champ being a close friend of Americo's.

The place is L-shaped, with one entrance on 52nd St., another on Lexington Ave. The dining room contains a blown-up photo on the west wall—32 feet wide, six feet high—of Marciano knocking out Archie Moore. Opposite is a mural, 25 feet in width, five feet high, picturing the ex-heavyweight champ's 49 victims in various attitudes of defeat—a highly interesting picture.

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Born in New York 46 years ago, Americo quit high school to become a fighter at sixteen, boxing under the name of "Joe Americo". In his 75 pro bouts he met such scrappers as Joe Glick, Jackie Snyder, Al "Rube" Goldberg, Harvey Kelly, Danny Shugrue and Chico Gonzalez. Americo quit the ring because of poor vision.

"I boxed as a bantam, feather, lightweight and junior welter," says Schiavone, who stands 5-feet-7½ and now weighs 175 pounds. "Incidently, Ted Carroll, writer-cartoonist on The RING Magazine, did much to influence me in proper behavior—lecturing me at the Greenwich House in my youth.

Americo married his childhood sweetheart, Marguerite Ghistone, 21 years ago. Childless, the couple reside in Elmhurst, L. I.

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IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

Chicago Stadium:—After one of the wildest battles seen at the Stadium in many years, Spider Webb, Chicago's outstanding middleweight contender, owned his 20th straight victory and solidified his position as the No. 3 contender in the world ratings. His victory was no easy one as his opponent, Randy Sandy, stood his ground and gave Webb one of his hardest fights. Randy punched it out with the faster punching Webb in every round, only lacking equal speed to earn a draw decision. As it was, the bout was a close one and a big delight to the 1,362 fans attending. The gross gate was $1,464.24.

Jay Fullmer, 141, Gene's brother, punched out a six round decision over Dick Newall, 147, in a lively affair. Morris Brown, 146, south side, defeated Kid Chocalate, his neighbor also from the south side in four heats. Ed Perkins, 146, Chicago, beat his fellow townsman, Jerry Jordan, 144, in four rounds. Jesse Bowdry, 174, St. Louis, outpointed Don Gordon, 172, in six rounds. Chuck Taylor, 133, hung a defeat on Sammy Rodgers, 138, Benton Harbor, in a spirited six round bout.

▶Chicago Stadium:—Bobby Boyd, 159½, Chicago, on the comeback trail scored a split ten round decision over Willie (Rip) Vaughn, 160½, Los Angeles. Vaughn fought a two-fisted battle all the way and just missed by a hairline in getting the victory. Boyd won the bout in the last four rounds with lefts and rights scored in combinations. The victory placed Boyd once again right in the thick of the battle for top honors in the middleweight division.

Jesse Bowdry, 171, won a close sixer from Eddie Simms, 161, in a lively affair. Willie Dillon, 146, beat Jimmy McCoy, 144, in eight rounds. Ernest Terrill, 189, Chicago, made his pro debut a winning one by defeating Norman Bolden, 191, in a four spot. Eddie Ford, 149, beat Morris Brown, 147, Chicago, in a four round opener.

▶Chicago:—In a fast ten round event, Carlos Ortiz, New York's classy featherweight, scored a one-sided victory over Felix Chiocca of France. Ortiz was the faster and much better fighter in this bout, scoring with left jabs and straight rights, while the crowding Chiocca missed his target throughout. The fight was nationally televised and presented by the International Boxing Club.

The Chicago Stadium announced they will have boxing twice each month for the remainder of the summer. Ben Bentley will continue as matchmaker for the huge Chicago Stadium.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
By Pinky Mitchell
Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

The Midwest Boxing Club got off to a flying start in the first of a series of talent development cards planned for the season at the South Side Armory.

Orville Pitts and Bob Hinds, former University of Wisconsin champions, along with George Jarosch and Joe Schmolze were the most impressive in action.

Orville Pitts, 173¼, Milwaukee, knocked out John Holmes, 173½, Chicago, in the first round.

George Jarosch, 172, Milwaukee, scored technical knockout over Bob Hardy, 178½, Minneapolis, in sixth round.

Bob Hinds, 194, Kenosha, knocked out Bob Adams, 199, Minneapolis, in first. Joe Schmolze, 176, Minneapolis, scored technical knockout over Russ Wahlen, 180, Duluth, Minn., in third round.

Merlin Fink, 144½, Minneapolis, scored technical knockout over Ray Mandito, 148, Chicago, in first. Sammy Allen, 135, Racine, knocked out Jay Olson, 136¾, Milwaukee, in first.

Attendance was 976 and receipts $4,590.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Cincinnati's trio of mainliner fight tossers had a frightening month during May. All three, Garvin Sawyer, Wallace Smith and Issac Vaughn suffered defeats.

Sawyer was defeated in a close tenner by veteran Henry Hall at Arnold, Pa. Vaughn lost a ten rounder to Carlos Ortiz at Miami Beach and Smith was defeated by Mickey Crawford at Flint, Mich. in 10 rounds.

There is still no action scheduled for sure here in Cincinnati. An occasional rumor will float that both the Becker brothers and Art Wirth are prepping a show, but nothing has come out of the rumors.

▶AROUND FOUNTAIN SQUARE WITH THE PUNCHERS AND THEIR PILOTS. . . . Ezz Charles has taken a job with the juvenile court here, much on the order of the one Jersey Joe Walcott has in his hometown. . . . Ezz is no longer in the restaurant business. . . . my weekly boxing letter at ten bucks per year is really rolling with the most current subscribers being Frank Bachman, Jackie Leonard, Chris Dundee, George Katz and Lou Viscusi, all big time and well known promoters and managers. . . . my annual promoters and managers guide, with 1000 names listed is still available at one buck each. . . . my address is 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio

LOUISVILLE BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

On Derby Eve, Eddie Machen, now the number 2 ranked heavy-weight contender, won a unanimous 10-round decision over Joey Maxim at the State Fairgrounds. The bout was one that, after the fourth round or so—after it had been rather clearly indicated Maxim wasn't going to score a dramatic upset in a comeback and that Machen probably wouldn't gain a knockout, either. The fight, just another one as fights go, was nationally televised and also in Louisville.

Sherman Williams, 164 Louisville, scored a first-round t.k.o. over Archie Whitfield, 162 Chicago. Sid Peaks, 216, Louisville, scored a t.k.o. over Jackie Richards, 181, Detroit in the 6th round. Rudell Stitch, 145, Louisville, scored a t.k.o. over Frankie Betts, 147, of Cincinnati in 4th. Eddie Perkins, 135, Chicago, decisioned Billy Williams of Louisville in 4-rounds.

▶At the State Fair Grounds, Sid Peaks, the big heavyweight, disposed of a game but overmatched Stanley Mylinski. The heavy-fisted Peaks, 218, easily pounded out a unanimous 10-round decision over Mylinski, 182, of Chicago. Making his second comeback, Peaks, the Louisville slugger—now a Brooklyn Navy Yards welder, jolted Mylinski in the fifth and ninth rounds. But he never could deck the game Mylinski, a moving target and one hard to hit for most of the time.

In the eight-rounder Sherman Williams, 161, Louisville, won the decision over Terry Rindal, 165, of St. Paul. Billy William, 134, Louisville, won in four over Ivan Keeling, 135, Cincinnati, Bob Ambos, 180, Dayton, won in six over Alvis Perkins, 185, of Louisville. Art Glass, 150, Dayton, won in six over Rudell Stitch, 146, Louisville,

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Bill Colbert

Promoter Tommy Anderson is satisfied that his weekly fights will be a success at the Ascension Club. Tommy would like to go weekly because he has found enough fighters that are interested and plans his cards for the season. In his latest show, Wendell Stewart, 127½, Omaha, Neb., knocked out Howard Anderson, 130½, Chicago (4).

Al Erwin, 156½, Minneapolis, won by TKO over Walter Quinn, 160, Minneapolis (4).

Leroy Benson, 143, Minneapolis, decisioned Ace Hendricks, 139½, Chicago (4).

Rico Brooks, 182¼, Chicago, decisioned Jerry Bailey, 213, Minneapolis (4).

Joe Parks, 137½, Omaha, Neb., won by TKO over Jackie Schoen, 137, Minneapolis (6).

Fritz Zack, 183, Chicago, TKO'd Doug Sherer, 189, Minneapolis (1).

Willie Dennis, 195, Omaha, stopped Timperjack Wagner, 204½, Shakopee (1).

Joe Schmolze, 177, Minneapolis, decisioned Howard Lee, 170½, Chicago (6).

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NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

Crowe Peele's victory string was finally broken when the former NCAA heavyweight champion from Louisiana State University dropped a 10-round bloody battle to Charley Norkus in Municipal Auditorium. The decision was unanimous.

Peele, who entered the ring with a 14-bout victory skein, faltered in the late rounds as Norkus pounded his opponent with overhand rights and damaging body punches to slow up Hector Knowles' fighter.

On several occasions Norkus and Peele went at it in toe-to-toe exchange, much to the delight of the 3627 fans who grossed $12,000 and netted $8737.93.

Peele managed to shake up Norkus with rights to the jaw early in the fight. Crowe opened a cut over Charley's left eye in the second, and just about closed his left with a terrific right in the fifth. From then on it was nip-and-tuck, with one and then the other getting in some damaging shots.

Peele, who entered the ring at 186 pounds to Norkus 194½, was a 6-5 favorite at ringside.

"I learned a lot in this fight," said Peele. "Norkus is a tough fighter, a good puncher, but I believe I can whip him in a return bout."

In the semi-final billed for six rounds, Curt Davis of Baton Rouge stopped Roger Ettiene in four. It was a "rubber" meeting between the pair.

In the fours, Tick Tock Tucker stopped Danny Gonzales in three; Warren Evans spoiled Billy LeBoeuf's pro debut with a split decision victory, while Ray Cittidano, after taking a first round drubbing, won from Paul Abrams with a fourth round technical knockout.

▶ Charley Joseph was back in good standing with local boxing fans following his 10-round victory over Al "Tiger" Williams in the Coliseum arena. The Tiger had upset Joseph in a previous fight, but there was no question as to Joseph's superiority in the encore.

Joseph ripped Williams' eye in the fifth, and the flow of blood from the injury appeared to handicap the California middleweight. However, the visitor gave a good account of himself, pressed the fight all the way, and was given a fine ovation as he left the ring.

Joseph, who weighed 160½ pounds to Williams' 155¾, entered the ring a 5-2 favorite, and there were plenty of takers. A total of 3433 fans turned out for the rematch, a crowd which netted $6,545.51. The show was promoted by Heard Ragas.

Freddie Little of Bogalusa, La., chalked up his fourth straight win by scoring an easy six-round victory over Earl Gray. They are middleweights. In the fours, Jimmy Williams stopped Charley Davis in one. It was announced that the boxing commission was withholding Davis' purse for his pitiful showing.

Willie Ransom toyed with Arthur King in four rounds, while J. B. Broussard kayoed Gil Mitchell in two rounds.

▶ Herbie Rodriguez, New Orleans welterweight, stretched his victory string to 17 in 19 pro fights when he stopped Gordon Van Loo of Grand Rapids, Mich., in the fifth round of a scheduled tenner in the Coliseum arena.

The victory squared accounts for the 20-year-old puncher in three fights with Van Loo. In their first meeting at Tampa, Fla., earlier in the year, Herbie and Gordon boxed to a standstill. A return bout in New Orleans found Van Loo gaining a split decision—the first suffered by Rodriguez in the money ranks—while the Crescent City welter more than evened the score when he flattened the visitor with a right cross to the jaw in two minutes, 30 seconds, of the fifth. Both fighters tipped the scales at 148 pounds.

It was a losing cause for the promoters, as only 1044 paid customers turned out, with a net house of $1,763.75.

Roger Ettienie defeated Curt Davis in the six-round semi-final, a split decision that failed to meet with the approval with a majority in the audience. The writer thought Davis had a decided edge at the finish.

Gene Hymel made his pro debut a winning one when he flattened Bolo Roberts in one minute, 34 seconds of the fourth round.

Ray Cittilano of Baton Rouge, kayoed Andrew Monti in three rounds, the latter claiming a dislocated left shoulder during the rest period.

In the opening prelim, Warren Evans stopped Marlin Moore in 19 seconds of the second round.

▶ Al "Tiger" Williams, Los Angeles middlweight, outpunched for five rounds, finished in whirlwind fashion to nip Charley Cotton of Toledo in a hotly contested 10 rounder at the Coliseum arena. The victory earned Williams a second fight with Willie Vaughn, who defeated the Tiger in their first meeting in California.

For a while it appeared as though Williams might have a tough time sticking out the 10 rounds. He was dropped in the fifth from a right hand punch to the body. Referee Eddie Brown, somewhat startled from the knockdown, hesitated several seconds before counting.

Referee Eddie Brown scored it 4-4-2, and Judge Charley Dabney had it five rounds for each. Both, however, awarded the fight to Williams because of his cleaner punches and aggressiveness. Judge Frederick had it 5-4-1 for the Tiger.

My tab agreed with Dabney's. I had Cotton winning five of the first six rounds, with Williams taking the final four. But Williams' heavier blows, coupled with his aggrssiveness, gave him the necessary edge.

Freddie Little, Whitey Esneault's newest middleweight charge, extended his streak to five when he scored a fifth round technical knockout over Pero Bradley.

In the other scheduled sixer, Eddie Sims flattened George "Sugar" King in three. Sammy Davis flattened Willie Williams in one, and George Tousaint won a splitter from Johnny Powell in four.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simo N Bronenbeg and Alfredo Porzio

▶ **In LUNA PARK of Buenos Aires, the undefeated welterweight,** Jorge J. Fernandez, won by a K.O. in seven rounds over Gofredo Barcos.

▶ In ROSARIO, Oscar Pita former Argentina welter-weight champion lost by a K.O. in 10 rounds to Julio Ocampo.

▶ The hard punching undefeated "Rocky" Rivero kayoed Juan Utrera in the ring of "Salon de los Deportes" of BAHIA BLANCA, in one round. Rivero weighed 147 pounds and Utrera 149.

▶ In MENDOZA, Guido Granizo, bantam weight and Hiracio Moyano, drew in 10.

▶ The undefeated bantam weight "Cachin" Diaz, won by a T.K.O. in the seventh round from Chilean, Carlos Lara, in CATAMARCA. Armando Vera, undefeated bantam, won on points in 8 rounds from Bernardo Sanchez.

▶ Germán Molina, champion of La Rioja, won on points in 12 rounds from Nicolás Paez.

▶ In LUNA PARK, the undefeated lightweight Miguel Angel Péndola, kayoed Humberto Madriaga in the second round.

▶ Humberto Barbato, 137, won in 10 rounds in CATAMARCA From Jacinto Ferreyra.

▶ Omar Ricilio, 136 pounds, kayoed, Rafael Azuaga, 138, in the ring of "UNIDOS DE POMPEYA (Buenos Aires City), in one round. Oscar Cadenas, 125, won on points 10 from Anibal Servin.

▶ In LUNA PARK, Horacio Accavallo, flyweight, kayoed in 6 rounds, Marcelo Quiroga and Angel Ahumada won on points in 10 from Santiago Minelli (welters).

▶ CORDOBA: Roque Saavedra, featherweight, kayoed the Chilean, Juan Carlos Gonzalez Neira in the second and undefeated middle Marcelo Videla, drew with Oscar Rojas.

▶ LUNA PARK: Martiniano Pereyra, Argentine welterweight champion, won by a T.K.O. from Luis Salinas in the 6th round.

▶ CORDOBA, Arnaldo Manrique, 138, won by a T.K.O. in 5 rounds, Rogelio Abrigó, 135, and Pedro Miranda, feather weight, won by a T.K.O. in 8 rounds from Osvaldo Vargas.

▶ In Montevideo (URUGUAY), Juan Burgues, light heavy weight of Uruguay won the decision over Wim Snoek, from Holland.

▶ In LUNA PARK, the undefeated light Osvaldo Cañete, put to sleep in second round Italo Coluccini.

▶ Raúl Vargas, featherweight champion of MENDOZA, KO'ed Raúl Campero. in the fourth.

▶ In MAR DEL PLATA, Antonio Cuevas, middleweight kayoed V. Castano in the 4th round.

▶ Angel Olivieri, 137, drew with Tránsito Villagra, 139, in "Famatina Park," LA RIOJA.

▶ Panamaian welterweight, Frederick Thompson, won by a T.K.O. in the 6th round from Horacio Rivero in the "Norte" Stadium of ROSARIO.

▶ LUNA PARK, Pedro Miranda, feather, won points in 10 rounds from the Italian Sergio Milán.

▶ In MAR DEL PLATA, Andrés Selpa, Argentine and Sudamerica champion middlewight, kayoed Ubaldo Sacco in the 15th.

▶ In a new stadium in Buenos Aires, "BABILONIA", welterweight Francisco Espelucin won on points in 10 rounds from Liber Rodriguez of Uruguay.—In LUNA PARK, the same night, lightweight Luis A. Aguero won the decision over Wenceslao Gallardo; Julio C. Ponce, featherweight, lost on points in 10 rounds to Enrique Escudero, and Julio Genta, lightweight drew with Alejandro Martinez.

IN "PACIFIC N.W." RINGS
By R. D. Casey

Talk of a heavyweight bout here in the Pacific Northwest has kept the local fans excited the past month. Foes mentioned for Patterson include; Eddie Machen, Irish Pat McMurtry, Nino Valdes, Eddie Cotton, Harry Kid Matthews and even Olympic Games champion Pete Rademacher.

▶ MEDFORD, OREGON: Portland's Amos Lincoln, 194, kayoed Bill Mathias of Oakland in 4. Willard Nelson, 145, returned to the ring wars with a decision over Oakland's Joe Manuel, 147, in six. Kenny Dixon, 150, Klamath Falls, duked Frankie Coe, 151, Frisco and Frisco's Jim Fisher, 180, kayo'd Porky Jiminez, 185, Klamath Falls.

▶ PORTLAND AUDITORIUM: In a nationally televised match, Cuba's big bomber Nino Valdes, 207, pounded out a unanimous decision over Chicago's John Holman, 204. Both camps wanted to win this one badly. Valdes manager Bobby Gleason was fined $100 by the Oregon commission for aiding Valdes in getting untangled from the ropes during a big Holman barrage.

In the semi-final, Frisco's Larry Vasquez, 132, won a hard earned 10-round call over Seattle's capable Teddy Hall, 136.

Johnny Ramos, 122, Seattle, ko'd Salem's Virgil Dyer, 125, in one. Vancouver B. C.'s tough veteran Buddy McDonald, 139, stretched Spokane's prospect Jackie Frost, 142, in two.

▶ LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON: Chuck Lincoln, 160, the kid brother of Amos Lincoln, scored an upset 10 round knockout of Sonny Hett, 164, Salem, Ore. Sonny can box some but isn't rugged enough.

Carmen Basilio, the welter champ, boxed a 3-round exhibition with Lee Owens. Johnny Ramos, 121, Yakima, stopped Buddy Lombard in one. Freddie Mack decisioned Ralph Colvin in four and Herb Patzer dropped Danny Brown for keeps in the third heat.

▶ SPOKANE, WASH: Portland's powerful Amos Lincoln, 198, made short work of California's Hank Thurman, 198, stretching him in the opening round. Welter Champ Carmen Basilio boxed three rounds with Lee Owens of Syracuse. The undercard saw Willard Nelson, 138, Portland, post his second comeback victory with a decision over Dave Gottschalk of Seattle in six. Gene Gresham, 135, stopped Johnny Dell, 134, in three of the opener.

▶ PORTLAND AUDITORIUM: Carmen Basilio, 152, easily kayoed Harold Jones, 150, Detroit, in four. Jones said he took the fight on too short notice. The gate was $5382.50.

J. C. Johnson, 152, Seattle edged out Portland's hitherto undefeated youngster Tommy Thomas, 146, in a good sixer.

Lee Owens, 164, Syracuse, decked Kel Wayne, 165, Vancouver, Wash., twice to win handily in six. Joey Basilio, 125, the welter champ's brother, kayo'd one Dan Flores, 126, Seattle, in one. Yakima's fine prospect Johnny Ramos, 124, bombed Sal Salvador, 126, Seattle, into oblivion in 2.

▶ SPOKANE, WASH: Former lightweight king James Carter had to go all out to get the duke over rugged Buddy McDonald of Edmonton, Canada. It was a gruelling battle with Carter cut over the eye and McDonald bleeding from the nose.

Dick Lane, 161½, Boise, stretched Al Noriega, 160, Seattle, in one. The big Dakota farm hand Terry Lewis, 246, kayo'd Seattle's Bob Mitchell, 196, in three. Spokane's Jackie Frost, 142, outpointed Howard Dixon, 146, Seattle, in a sixer. Buzz O'Herne, 126, Seattle, knocked out Fred Williams, 130, Seattle, in two of the curtain-raiser.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB. London. . . . Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 165¾, came to London rings without a flourish of trumpets, but the manner in which he defeated Johnny Read, Norwood, 160, will surely bring him more offers for further contests. The bout lasted into the second round, with Read taking five counts before Referee Eddie Maguire calling it a day. . . . George Dormer, East Ham, 122¾, making his first appearance as a featherweight, stopped Malcolm Ames, Croydon, 127¾, in the sixth. . . . Terry Burnett, Cardiff, 137¾, made it seven in a row when he outpointed Andy Baird, Birmingham, 133¼, in eight. . . . Jimmy Smith, Stepney, 136¼, and Ron Bradstreet, Kentish Town, 136½, put up a thrilling bout over six rounds, which ended in draw. . . . Denis Wingrove, Basildon, 159½, outpointed Tommy Charles, Trinidad, 158¾, in six. . . .

▶WEMBLEY . . . Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 151¾, showed plenty of courage in his six rounder against the hard hitting Ghana's Tommy Tagoe, 150½. Garnett got off to a bad start, but he weathered the storm, fought back hard and gave full value of a share of the spoils. The referee's decision of a draw was loudly applauded with money thrown into the ring. . . . Barney Beale, Lambeth, 136½, had to fight hard all the way to score a narrow points win over Norman Veron, Guernsey, 140¼, in six. . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 125, stopped Terry Toole, Hackney, 125¼, in the fifth. . . . Denis Booty, Stepney, 160¾, made it seven in a row, by outpointing Arnim Cumberbatch, Trinidad, 161, in six. . . . Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 117¾, outpointed Alan Branquet, Guernsey, 121, in six. . . . Harry Edwards, Birmingham, 137, gained a good points win at the expense of Cliff Brown, Northampton, 139, in six. . . . Roy Hill, Fulham, 130½, outpointed Dennis Saunders, Boreham Wood, 127¾, in six. . . . George Davis, Nigeria, 147½, stopped George Smith, Peckham, 149, in the second. . . .

▶WALWORTH . . . TERRY DOWNES, Paddington, 159½, former U. S. Marine, looks like becoming the biggest box-office draw in the country. Fight fans all over the world like a puncher plus ALL-ACTION, and Downes in his second professional start almost demolished Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 160, in less than three rounds. . . . The referee came to the assistance of Lynas after he had taken several counts. . . . Making his first appearance as a professional, Ron Redrup, West Ham, 169, former Amateur Middleweight Champion, impressed the large crowd in the manner he mastered the tough Abe Stanley, Bournemouth, 174½. Redrup, a southpaw, softened Stanley with every kind of punch for the first three rounds, and then went in to end matters in the fourth. This he did in a masterful way by a left hook to the body, forcing the Bournemouth lad to take the full count for the first time in his career. . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 115, gained a clear win over Gerry Parker, Beeston, 113, in their six, but in the last two rounds, the clever Olympic Games Champion was on the receiving end. . . . Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 166½, outpointed Clark Mellor, New Mills, 176, in six. . . . Joe Ceroni, Italy, 146½, and Tommy Lee, Croydon, 148½, battled to a draw in six. . . . Wallace Boodhoo, British Guiana, 121½, beat Johnny Brodsky, Bethnal Green, 126, in the fifth, when the latter was ruled out for persistent holding.

▶MANCHESTER . . . Billy Ellaway, Liverpool, 163, gave Neville Rowe, Australia, 175¼, weight and a beating for almost eight rounds before referee Jim Mahoney called a halt, when he saw how badly the Australian's eye was cut. . . . Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 146, gained a clear points win over Jackie Butler, Preston, 147, in a hard fought eight rounder. . . . Sandy Manuel, Nigeria, 147, outpointed Bobby Johnson, Plymouth, 148¾, in eight. . . . Eric Brett, Retford bantamweight, 117¾, had to fight hard to gain a points win over the British Guiana Southpaw, Rudy Edwards, 118¾, in eight. . . . Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 119, outpointed Paul Dunne, Manchester, 122¾, in six. . . . Martin McDonnagh, Manchester, 118, outpointed Lol Reaney, Southport, 119, in four.

▶BEDWORTH . . . Les Allen, Bedworth, 159½, was a little fortunate to retain his Area Middleweight Title, against George Roe, Wolverhampton, 159¾, in their twelve round bout. It must have been the last round rally that earned him the referee's decision. . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 163½, was forced to battle hard throughout the six rounds to gain a points decision over Joe Walcott, Trinidad, 168. . . . Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 168½, outpointed Jackie Scott, Preston, 168, in six. . . . Mike Leahy, Coventry, 147½, stopped Peter Goldie, Huddersfield, 151¾, in the fifth. . . . Jeff Hollingsworth, Bradford, 138, stopped Terry Banning, Leamington, 138, in the second. . . . Ron Vale, Leamington, 159, stopped John Plenty, Bristol, 158, in the third. . . . Danny Doran, Leamington, 144, outpointed Roy Always, Halifax, 147, in six.

▶NEWCASTLE . . . Johnny Halafihi, Tonga, 175¾, took just under four rounds to dispose of Willie Armstrong, 170¼. Referee Tommy Watson stopped the one sided encounter after the gallant Scot had taken three counts. . . . Vincent O'Kine, Ghana, 151¾, made a successful re-appearance to dispose of Joseph Janssens, Belgium, 149½, in the second round. . . . O'Kine allowed Janssens to crowd him early in the first round and nearing the latter part of the round let fly with a terrific right to the Belgian's jaw which put the latter down on his face. . . . the bell came to his assistance and he was pulled to his corner . . . as the gong went for the second session, Janssen gamely tottered to the center of the ring with his hand raised as a token of surrender. . . . Al Sharpe, Belfast, 137¾, was fortunate to win over Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 137¾, in the sixth when the latter received a badly cut eye. . . . Jack Richards, Middlesborough, 129½, outpointed Billy Adams, Newcastle, 130½, in six. . . . George McDade, Glasgow, 112, outpointed Bobby Davis, Lancaster, 109, in six. . . . David Croll, Dundee, 124¼, outpointed Arthur McGregor, Middlesborough, 130¾, in six.

▶WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . Frank Johnson, Manchester, 147¼, was in great form against Ray Corbett, Birmingham, 145, the latter took all that came his way without flinching, and it was no surprise when the referee called it a day during the seventh round. . . . Johnny Barton, Lancaster, 176¼, came back with a three round K.O. win over the promising youngster from Glasgow, Len Mullen, 176. . . . Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 158¼, allowed Roy Lewis, Trinidad, 160, to make the pace early in their bout, but Williams soon petered out leaving the Welshman to do most of the scoring to gain a clear points win after eight rounds. . . . Johnny Gray, Manchester, 129, outpointed Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 129½, in six. . . . Gordon Mason, Manchester, 148½, knocked out Danny Lartey, Ghana, 148, in the fourth.

▶ROYAL ALBERT HALL, LONDON . . . Fates were kind to Ron Hinson, 136¼, when Billy Kelly of Londonderry was forced to cry off his bout with Guy Gracia, France, 135¼, owing to illness. The Dagenham lightweight jumped at the chance to substitute and gave a masterful display of boxing one could wish to see. His superb skill in slipping a punch and countering with a straight left or right cross was a pleasure to witness, and try as hard as he could, Gracia could not land a punch to stop the clever Dagenham lad. At the end of ten rounds, Hinson received a well earned points verdict. . . . I had written in this column previously, that Willie Lloyd, of Wales, 137, had taken too many beatings in the last six months to do him any good. On this occasion he was asked to meet Fernand Nollet, a French Colonial, 136, who came with a good reputation. . . . Nollet toyed with Lloyd for four rounds, and then put on the pace to such an extent that had the Welshman floundering around the ring. Referee Micky Fox allowed the bout to last into the eighth round before stopping the one sided contest in favour of Nollet. . . . Willie Lloyd, after the contest stated that he is retiring from the ring. . . . Teddy Best, Cardiff, 137¾, stopped George Whelan, Chiswick, 141¼, in the first round, the latter was in a bad way after sixty-three seconds, when the referee called a halt. . . . Tommy Tagoe, Ghana, 148, knocked out Paddy O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 144, in the second.

▶GOVAN . . . "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 159¾, took two minutes 30 seconds of the first round to knock out Jack Willis, Belfast, 164. . . . Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 176¾, knocked out Peter Aldridge, Doncaster, 178¾, in the third. . . . Derry Treanor, Glasgow, 120, outpointed Billy Skelly, Belfast, 122½, in a scrambling eight rounder. . . . Tommy Gavan, Glasgow, 149, gained a good win over Cliff Lawrence, Rotherham, 145, in six. . . . Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 118, knocked out Benny Vaun, Belfast, 121½, in the fifth.

▶One of the world's best featherweights of fifty years ago passed on to his maker. "SPIKE" ROBSON, known the world over, had met some of the best fighters in the world, Young Erne, Abe Attell, Joe Gans, Terry McGovern, Tommy Murphy, and there are not many around to-day, who remember the sensational contest that "Spike" put up against "PEERLESS" Jim Driscoll, at The National Sporting Club, for The Lord Lonsdale Belt, for The British Featherweight Title. Robson died at the age of Eighty, and many times during my visits to the north of England, I had the pleasure of talking over old times.—REST IN PEACE "SPIKE".

▶SHOREDITCH . . . Terry Downes, Paddington, 157½, was a 4 to 1 favourite to

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

TO JUNE 20, 1957

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. Joe Bygraves (J)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Mi e Holt (SA)	Attu Clottey (G)
3. Kitione Lave (To)	Randy Turpin (E)	Yama Bahama (B)	Darby Brown (A)
4. Dick Richardson (W)	Arthur Howard (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Peter Waterman (E)
5. Henry Cooper (E)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Les Allen (E)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
6. Brian London (E)	Albert Finch (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Gerald Gray (J)
7. Peter Bates (E)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Barry Brown (NZ)	Hector Constance (T)
8. Tom Hini (F)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Bill Beazley (NZ)	Sandy Manuel (N)
9. James J. Parker (C)	Sammy Langford (N)	Dick Tiger (N)	Al Brown (BG)
10. Joveci Bau (F)	Tommy DuPreez (SA)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Evie Vorster (SA)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dai Dower (W)
2. Richie Howard (C)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Frankie Jones (S)
3. Dave Charnley (E)	Jimmy Brown (I)	Kevin James (A)	Len Reece (W)
4. Colin Clarke (A)	Percy Lewis (T)	Jonn Smillie (S)	Pat Supple (C)
5. Jason Radebe (SA)	Bobby Neill (S)	Peter Moledi (SA)	Bindi Jack (A)
6. Max Carlos (A)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Louis Joshua (SA)	Malcolm McLeod (S)
7. George Bracken (A)	Charley Hill (S)	Ronnie Dean (SA)	Dennis Adams (SA)
8. Paddy Graham (I)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Dick White (A)	Ezekial Schole (SA)
9. Sammy Bonnici (N)	Kimpo Amarfio (G)	Chic Brogan (S)	Ado Garuba (G)
10. Quintin Pitt (N)	Bobby Sinn (A)	George Dormer (E)	Gerry Jooste (SA)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (B) Barbadoes; (BF) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (BH) British Honduras; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (GC) Gold Coast; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

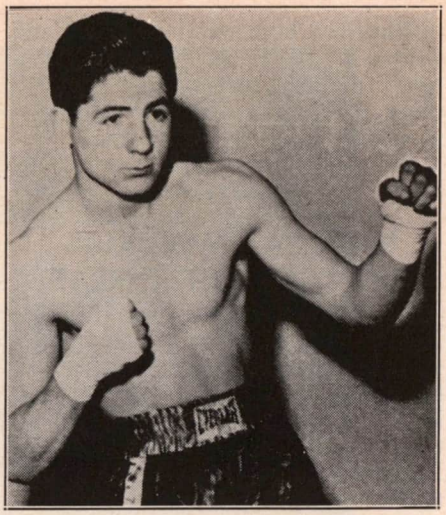
beat Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 162¾, but overconfidence cost him the bout, also a beating that will take some time for him to recover. . . . In the very first round Downes went after his man and pinned him against the ropes with his fast hitting to head and body, and then the Nigerian started to fight back, putting all his power into a left hook. Downes was forced back and made to take a count of three. Rising unsteady he was put down again for seven . . . how the former U. S. Marine lasted out the round will be a mystery to me and other ringsiders, for he rose glassy eyed and returned to the attack. In the second round, Downes was again forced to take a count of eight, but sheer grit, determination to fight enabled him to win the round.—The capacity crowd roared as the two "Fighting Fools" battled around the ring, first one and then the other tried to get on top, but when Downes received a cut eye in the sixth, his seconds wisely called the referee to their corner to peruse Downes damaged eye. After that, the referee walked over to Dick Tiger's corner and raised his hand as the winner. . . . I feel certain that with a little more experience, the twenty year old Terry Downes will be one of Great Britain's biggest drawing cards, for the lad has COLOUR, PERSONALITY, and above all, plenty of GUTS. . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 113¾, outclassed Billy Kane, Belfast, 113¾, and the referee stopped the one-sided bout in the second round. . . . Ron Jones, West Ham, 118¾, and Ken Langford, Slough, 118¼, were having a rare tussel, with little to spare. Coming out of a clinch in the third round, Langford was seen bleeding from a bad cut above his eye. The referee on inspection, immediately terminated matters leaving Jones as the winner. . . . Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 124½, outpointed Alf Drew, Hackney, 127¼, in six. . . . Denis Wingrove, Dagenham, 157, stopped Tommy Charles, Jamaica, 160, in the second. . . . Tommy Leroy, Redhill, 163¾, stopped Sammy Royales, Gloucester, 160, in the second. . . . Don Symonds, Bellingham, 153½, won on points over Johnny Malfah, Ghana, 152¼, in six.

▶National Sporting Club, LONDON . . . Paul King, Torquay, 146½, gave full value for the points decision in his favour over Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 144, in eight. . . . Terry Burnett, Cardiff, 136½, made it eight in a row when he stopped Jeff Hollingsworth, Bradford, 141, in the second. . . . Dennis East, Plaistow, 119, outpointed Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 117¾, in six. . . . Jack Burley, Hackney, 140, stopped Joe Cerroni, Italy, 146¼, in the fourth, when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. . . . Johnny Collier, Stepney, 128¼, outpointed Dennis Saunders, Boreham Wood, 128¼, in six.

▶BUXTON . . . Jackie Scott, Preston, 172, outpointed Clarke Mellor, New Mills, 173, in eight. . . . Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 125 outpointed Johnny Cole, Beeston, 125, in six. . . . Derek Clarke, Burnley, 134, knocked out Johnny Kilbourne, Leeds, 135½, in the first. . . . Barry Adgie, Derby, 112, and Eric Lord, Bacup, 113, battled hard in a six round draw. . . . Billy Anderson, Liverpool, 132, outpointed Barry Wingfield, Nottingham, 129, in six.

▶WEMBLEY . . . Arthur Murphy, Camden Town, 136½, repeated a previous victory over Bryn Phillips, Fishguard, 136, when the latter was forced to retire in the second round after receiving a badly cut eye. . . . Pancho Hatachaji, India, 110½, and Roy Elvin, Cardiff, 113½, fought furiously for almost all of their six rounds, and when the latter had taken two counts of six, the referee wisely stopped the bout, leaving the Indian lad the winner. . . . George Carroll, Covent Garden, 123¾, gained another good win at the expense of Len Harvey, Cardiff, 127½, in six. . . . Billy Collins, Stepney, 159, stopped Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 159, in the third. . . . George Davis, Nigeria, 147, outpointed Jimmy Moss, Covent Garden, 142½, in six. . . . Cliff Brown, Northampton, 137½, had too much on the ball, for he well beat Johnny Wells, Acton, 143, in the fourth, when the referee intervened. . . . Jack Dacosta, Barbados, 171½, outpointed Johnny Bourke, Acton, 172¾, in six.

▶LIVERPOOL . . . Johnny Best re-opened The Stadium, with a good card, and with the backing of some prominent sportsmen intends to stage bigger shows in the Arena that was made famous by his late lamented DAD. . . . It was good to see the large crowd that supported his first offering. . . . Jimmy Croll, Welterweight champion of Scotland, 147¾, and Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 144, fought furiously for supremacy over eight rounds with neither giving each other an inch. The referee's decision of a draw, was loudly applauded. A return is a natural. . . . Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 148¾, fought hard with a cut eye handicap, to gain a points decision over Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 143½, in



Peter Keenan retained British and Empire bantam titles by knocking out southpaw Johnny Smillie in sixth round in Glasgow. The dour Scot has now won 12 of 15 championship bouts involving Scottish, British, Empire, European and world titles.

eight. . . . Dave Croll, Dundee, 124, did well to outpoint Percy James, Southport, 127, in eight. . . . Making a welcome return to the ring after three years absence, Jimmy O'Connell, Bootle, 145, gained a popular points win over Gerry McStravick, Belfast, 146, in eight. . . . Tommy Keeley, Birkenhead, 146, and Don Martin, Formby, 143¼, fought six rounds to a draw. . . . Martin McDonagh, Dublin, 126½, outpointed Billy Adams, Newcastle, 127, in four. . . . Gerry Jones, Wigan, 120, outpointed Lol Reanay, Southport, 121, in four. . . . It was good to see the ex-welterweight champ Wally Thom, acting as referee in four bouts, and to everyones pleasure.

▶Belle Vue, Manchester . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 160½, was too good for Eddie Lennon, Ireland, 160¾, and after receiving a badly damaged eye in the sixth round, he wisely retired at the gong. . . . Albert Scott, South Africa, 173, defeated Joe Crickmar, Stepney, 171½, in the fifth when the latter received a badly cut right eyebrow. . . . Peter Longo, Covent Garden, 159¾, outpointed Alan Dean, Birkenhead, 159, in eight hard fought rounds. Tex Woodward, Bristol, 147¼, was fortunate to receive the decision over Eddie Bee, Trinidad, 147, in six. . . . Another cut eye was the cause of a bout going short, when Kurt Ernest, Exeter, 141, received the damage, and he was forced to retire at the end of the fifth, leaving Darkie Hughes, Cardiff, 141¾, the winner. . . . Johnny McMullen, Cardiff, 146, outpointed Peter Fenwick, Ellesmere, 147¾, in four.

▶BIRMINGHAM . . . Boswell St. Louis, 140¼, was too aggressive and tough for the ex-lightweight champion, Frank Johnson, Manchester, 146¼. For most of the time Johnson was on the defensive, trying to offset the two handed punching of St. Louis. In the fifth round, Johnson tried to stem the tide, but to no avail, and retired at the end of the round with a damaged hand. . . . Ray Corbett, Birmingham, 144¼, outpointed Eltor Steed, Trinidad, 148½, in eight. . . . Mick Leahy, Coventry, 149¼, scored a points win over Bob Roberts, Nigeria, 146¼, in eight. . . . Jacob Dempsey, Trinidad, 156, outpointed Ken Barley, Birmingham, 151¾, in six. . . . Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 169, outpointed the tough Trinidad battler Joe Walcott, 166¾, in six. . . . Fenrick Ward, Trinidad, 215, was too strong for George Nuttall, Southport, 207¾, and gained a points decision in six. . . . Terry Banning, Leamington, 136, defeated Joe Fernando, South Africa, 135½, in the sixth, when the referee called a halt, after the latter had received a badly cut eye.

▶STREATHAM . . . Terence Murphy, Canning Town, 176¾, came from behind to snatch a victory over Tony Dove, Battersea, 173¾, in the sixth round. The referee stopped the contest after Dove had taken several counts. . . . Lew Lazar, Aldgate, 158¾, and Freddie Cross, Wales, now domiciled in Bermondsey, 159, fought furiously over eight rounds with neither having an edge, and it was no surprise when referee Eddie Maguire, lifted the hand of both lads at the end of the bout, denoting that his decision was a DRAW. . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 164, was too good for Jack Johnson Coffe, Nigeria, 162, and it was to save a game lad unnecessary punishment, that the referee stopped the bout in the fourth. . . . Dennis Hinson, Dagenham, 135, won by a narrow margin over Jimmy Tippett, Greenwich, 136¾, in eight. . . . Harry Edwards, Birmingham, now living in London, 137, knocked out Vic Bower, Dagenham, 135¼, in the fourth. . . . Barrie Smith, Dartford, 128, making his first appearance, looked like coming a cropper against Wallace Boodhoo, British Guiana, 122, but he pulled one out of the bag, and knocked out the coloured lad in the first round.

▶GLASGOW . . . Peter Keenan, retained his British and Empire bantamweight title, also being the first Scot to win TWO Lonsdale Belts, when he scored a K.O. over John Smillie, Fauldhouse, in the sixth. Both scaled 118. Keenan was the receiver general for most of the earlier rounds, but he must be given every credit for taking advantage of an opening that brought victory within his grasp. This came in the sixth. A left to the body followed by a right to the jaw, slumped the challenger on the canvas for eight. He rose unsteady and was a target for a fusillade of punches. Another count of nine was tolled over him, he gamely got to his feet when referee Jack Hart wisely stepped between the lads to stop Keenan going in for another hail of blows that would certainly have ended the contest. . . . John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 158¾, took 21 seconds of the first round to dispose of Frankie Davies, Gloucester, 160¾. . . . Guy Gracia, France, 135¼, is one of the most popular of the Continentals to appear in British rings. He was matched against the clever Belfast lad, John McNally, 135¼, who many thought had a good chance of lowering his colours. The latter tried hard to stop the aggressive Frenchman, but to no avail, and after taking considerable punishment in the seventh round, referee Frank Wilson stopped the bout in Gracia's favor. . . . Frank Jones, Plean, gained a convincing points win over Jose Ogazon, Spain, in a ten round bantamweight contest. . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, 117½, is destined to reach the top by the manner of disposing the opposition. On this occasion, Archie Downie, Glasgow, 119½, was the victim, a left hook to the jaw, spelled FINIS. . . . Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 173½, knocked out Danny Wall, Wembley, 174¼, in the second.

▶DONCASTER . . . Joe Erskine, Cardiff, British heavyweight champion, 203, taking part in his first contest since his defeat by Nino Valdes, restored some of his lost prestige by easily outpointing Peter Bates, Shirebrook, 196¾, over twelve rounds . . . Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 159, knocked out Peter Goldie, Huddersfield, 164, in the third. . . . Eric Brett, Retford, 119, stopped Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 119, in the eighth and last round. . . . Derek Liversidge, Retford, 150½, stopped Eddie Bee, Cardiff, 150, in the sixth. . . . Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 179, outpointed Peter Aldridge, Doncaster, 178, in six. . . . Cliff Lawrence, Rotherham, 145½, outpointed Harold Palmer, Doncaster, 144½, in six. . . . George Nuttall, Stockport, stopped Ken Brady, Retford, in the fifth of a heavyweight bout.

▶BOURNEMOUTH . . . Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 141½, had to work hard to gain a points win over Eltoro Steed, Trinidad, 144½, in eight. . . . Abe Stanley, Poole, 175, stopped Joe Walcott, Trinidad, 169, in the sixth. . . . Alf Drew, Hackney, 127, gained a clear points win over Teddy Peckham, Bournemouth, 126½, in eight. Dudley Cox, Poole, 159, stopped Fred Balio, West Africa, 154½, in the fourth. . . . Colin Yandell, Bristol, 171¾, knocked out Stan Hooker, Bournemouth, 166½, in the second. . . . Reg Jackson, Derby, 129½, stopped Joey Le Grange, South Africa, 131½, in the first.

▶CARDIFF . . . Joe Bygraves, Jamaica, British Empire heavyweight champion, retained his title when referee Eugene Henderson of Glasgow decided that Bygraves and his challenger Dick Richardson of Newport, were level on his score card after fifteen rounds of a gruelling battle. BOXING was a lost chord, but the fans lapped up the bar room brawl. . . . Brian London, Blackpool, scored another one round K.O. at the expense of Willie Schagen, Holland, in a heavyweight bout. . . .Len Reece, Cardiff, looks like becoming the next flyweight champion of Great Britain, if he continues the same devastating punching form as he showed in disposing of Emile Delplanque, of Belgium in the first round. . . . Percy Lewis, Oxford, formerly of Trinidad, outpointed Ayree Jackson, Ghana, in a ten round featherweight bout. . . . Teddy Best, Cardiff, stopped Arthur Murphy, Camden Town, in the sixth of a lightweight contest.

PATTERSON KAYOES MARCIANO IN SEVEN?

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was explained, he was hit coming and going, which didn't explain a thing. The surprising attack had anything but a surprising effect on Patterson. He dropped to the canvas as if he had been hit by a punch thrown by a Rocky Marciano. Which, as you have already learned, he had. But before going down he cast a suspicious slow-motion glance at Referee Ray Miller (Goldstein and Miller are a team, you know), convinced himself that the referee was far out of range and could not have thrown the punch, and rapidly slid to the canvas.

At this point it was reported that two cameramen, obviously radib Marciano followers, were shouting "Hooray" but later developments proved that in going down Patterson had tripped over a wire, which pulled the plug, which darkened the screens all over America. They were merely exhorting some one to "hurry" and enlighten America. Another report had it that a live wire from New York had pulled the plug, irate because New York had been blacked out, notwithstanding the fact that the bout was not taking place in the Empire State. Stark, raving mad, obviously he had blown a fuse, he was dragged away, threatening to move to California with the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants.

What happened from then on, no one seems to know (including the camermen who wisely weren't talking). The last we had seen Patterson was going down. The next thing we knew, it was the seventh round. Obviously, Patterson had beat the count (eight to the bar) and presumably there had been a sixth round.

Be it as it may, the next thing we saw it was the seventh round and they both were hammering away at each other. After Referee Nat Fleischer (by this time Miller and Goldstein had opened a package store) had taken away the hammers they started trading punches, which also wasn't allowed because the ring ropes were suspended in the air and there were no trading posts.

A hard right jarred Marciano and everyone else and we got back to finishing the encounter. As he came back to tear into Patterson, swinging to the body and head, Floyd stepped back, moved slightly to his left and pounded a short left hook to the side of Marciano's head. Rocky staggered to his right and fell into a beautifully timed short right on his blind right sight and crumbled to the floor.

He made several efforts to regain his feet, only to fall back, unable to arise before the count of ten.

At this point, the commission stepped in (they had been waiting outside) and wanted to declare the bout "no contest," the chairman saying, "If you think Patterson could kayo Marciano in seven rounds, you're dreaming!"

We awoke to the realization that he might be right.—***Yes—very right!***

IRISH PAT McMURTRY HEAVYWEIGHT THREAT

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Pat's entry into the punch for pay ranks began in February 1954. During his Marine Service, Pat won two Far East heavyweight championships. At Cherry Point, N. C. in April of 1953, Pat took the All Marine 175 pound title.

In April 1951 at the Boston Nationals, Pat knocked out two Eastern Golden Gloves Champions. In the second bout out, Pat broke a small bone in his right hand, thus going into the finals with only one hand, his left. The Tacoma lad lost on a split decision, to Jack Boutilier, of Boston, who won the National 175 pound tournament.

Pat received something that was worth as much as the National AAU diadem. He got a special award, the first of its kind in the then 63 years' history of the Nationals, a gold watch, for outstanding boxing ability and sportsmanship. After leaving Boston, the Northwest amateur team made a trip into New York. On a visit to Jack Dempsey's Restaurant, the old mauler, remarked to Pat, *"I heard all about your great showing at Boston. It takes guts in showing what you did with only one hand in the country's top amateur show."*

FROM OUR READERS

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prior to the Cleveland bout, will now have to wait according to Norris, regardless of any action on the part of the World Championship Commission, the N. B. A. or New York Commission in any stand it may take to have each title holder defend the crown in his own division. Money talks and the big money for the summer, other than a title defense by Floyd Patterson, is the contemplated match between Basilio and the Robinson-Fullmer winner, says Norris."

The above passage could be read in Nat Fleischer's very interesting dispatch from the world championship fight between Carmen Basilio and Johnny Saxton, which appeared in the May issue of The Ring. This, however, prompts me to express a few personal—possibly naive—remarks, primarily addressed to Mr. Jim Norris. It is obviously a boxing promotor's right—and even necessity—to take the financial aspect into serious consideration, but it seems to me as if Mr. Norris is more inclined to let business predominate, at the cost of the sporting interests involved. Here in Europe we look upon boxing not only as a business proposition, but also as SPORT.

Far be it from me to deny Carmen Basilio the right to try his luck in a higher weight class, but to my idea it seems unfair of the IBC to ignore the long list of middleweight boxers who are all well qualified to meet the new (old) champion Ray Robinson, simply because of the fact that a title match between Robinson and Basilio would result in more profits. On the contrary, it is most unfair towards such excellent fighters as Charley Humez, Spider Webb, Rory Calhoun, Tiger Jones, and others, who have fought their way to the top of their class, with the ambition of one day being given the chance to fight for the world championship title.

The sporting principle I favor is that every title holder should first and foremost defend his title against all contestants of his own weight class, when such well qualified contestants are available. I believe that this is also the unfortunately rather ineffective principle held by the World Championship Commission, and I take exception to Mr. Norris' idea that nothing but the "money angle" should decide the attitude to be taken by boxing promoters when arranging matches of interest to enthusiasts all over the world.

Yours sincerely,
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FROM TOKYO

By F. N. Miike

▶ **Masaji Iwamoto, flyweight champion of Japan,** punched out a clear-cut decision over Danny Kid of the Philippines June 4 at International Stadium.

All three judges voted in favor of the aggressive, southpaw Japanese slugger. Referee Bernard Taylor (with the American Armed Forces in Japan) gave Iwamoto the fight 5-3; Judge Koichi Takada 8-2 and Judge Kuniharu Hayashi 4-0, both for Iwamoto.

Though the only knockdown was scored by Kid against him, Iwamoto landed the most, telling blows, and this often. In the same fourth round that the knockdown occurred, Kid suffered a cut over his left eye, the blood streaming down his face. The next round saw Kid reopen an old cut over Iwamoto's right eye.

▶ The non-title fight June 3 saw Iwamoto come into ring at 113⅞ and Kid 113⅝. It was not televised.

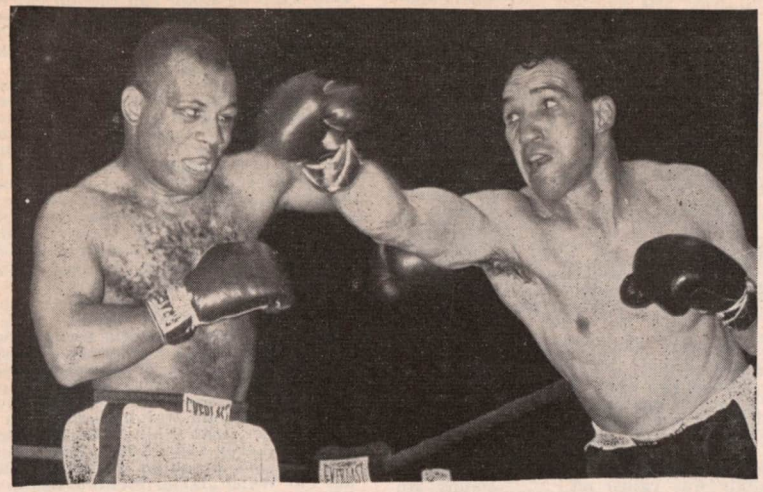
It was Iwamoto's second fight against a world ranked flyweight. In spring he drew with Hitoshi Misako, than fourth-ranked, in a non-title fight in Tokyo. Iwamoto carried the fight to Misako, at the end of which saw both fighters badly cut up and bleeding.

▶ Japan's first heavyweight championship fight was staged on May 5 in Tokyo. The 10-rounder saw Noboru Kataoka beat Yutaka Nakagoshi decisively to become Japan's first heavyweight champion.

Kataoka, 25, weighed 176¼ and Nakagoshi, 25 also, 177½. Both are ex-Sumo wrestlers.

A crowd of 4,000 took in the first heavyweight title fight in Japan that was televised.

Be sure to place your order for the September issue of The Ring. Two world championship battles, Brown vs. Zulueta and the featherweight final match between Cherif Hamia and Hogan (Kid) Bassey, are covered in this issue.



Former world middleweight champion Gene Fullmer connects with a right to the head of Ralph (Tiger) Jones during their ten round bout at Chicago Stadium. Gene making his first start since losing the title back to Ray Robinson punched his way to an unanimous victory over the Yonkers, N. Y. crowd pleaser.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

MICKEY CRAWFORD scored the biggest victory of his career when he decisioned Wallace (Bud) Smith of Cincinnati, in ten rounds at the Flint IMA before 1,300 fans. Crawford outboxed the former champion easily all the way. He lost only one round on the combined official score cards of all three officials. It marked Crawford's 16th victory in 17 outings, and second over a former champion, the other being Paddy DeMarco at Saginaw.

Nick "Lucky" Malik brought home two winners on the undercard when his two excellent fighters, John Powell and Edgar Gregory came out in fine style. Powell, who has had to go out into the middleweight division to get work, won his fifth straight bout and second in a row at the expense of Chuck Craig, of Monroe. Gregory, this year's Golden Gloves and AAU champion, made his pro debut and in a great slugging duel, stopped Virgil Sled, of Detroit, via cut eye in the fourth.

Len Richards, Detroit heavyweight, made it his second straight over Dick Christensen, of Monroe, in a slugging four. Chuck Church, of Saginaw, punched a little too hard for Leon Stobbs, of Flint and halted him in the fourth of a lightheavy go. Eugene Duncan, Detroit lightheavy, bested Wild Bill Copeland, of Detroit, in four.

▶ Kenny Lane, leading lightweight title contender from Muskegon, made his debut at the Olympia on a nationally televised bout and scored an easy but very interesting kayo over Henry (Toothpick) Brown, of Philadelphia, in the sixth round. Lane gave a clever demonstration, treating everyone to a beautiful exhibition of boxing and slugging.

Ted Wright, Detroit welterweight, won his twelfth straight when he decisioned Frank Betts, of Cincinnati, in a spirited six rounder. James Remson, Detroit middleweight, stopped Sherman Strayhorn in the fourth. Arthur Turner, Detroit middleweight, TKO'd King Farouk, of Dearborn, when the later sustained a bad cut inside of his mouth, and Johnny Palmer made his pro debut by outpointing ol'e Chet Wiley, of Detroit, in four.

▶ A show put on especially for the Nobles of Mosleum Shriners at the State Fairgrounds Coliseum, had Joe Gray, Dearborn middleweight, in the feature eight rounder. Gray, fresh from his draw verdict with ranking Tiger Jones, won easily from John Gillespie, of Benton Harbor, but had to weather a rough second round.

Two four rounders on the card had King Farouk, Dearborn AAU middleweight champion, KO'ing Leo DesJardins, of Windsor, in the second round, and Len Richards outpointing Dick Christensen in a heavyweight tussle.

▶ The long awaited meeting between Mickey Crawford, of Saginaw, and Bay City's Allan Kennedy finally took place at the Saginaw Auditorium. A crowd of 1,604 spectators turned out to watch "Mick" win as he pleased to keep his winning ways well in tact.

Osse Groom, Detroit heavy, halted Lou Morgan, of Detroit, in the second. Arthur Turner, of Detroit, outpointed his fellow townsman welter, George Green in four.

Chuck Church upset highly touted Bob (Ducky) Dietz, Detroit lightheavy, by stopping him in three. Jimmy Wright, of Saginaw, gained a split decision over Leo Bailey, of Detroit, in four, and Jesse Fagin, of Detroit, halted Bay City middleweight Paul Ozzie in the second.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

Houston, Texas Boxing Enterprises:—Pat Supple, 119, Montreal's Toy Tiger, won a unanimous ten round decision over Alex Santoy, 120, the Texan who moved to Los Angeles a couple of years back. Santoy's gameness enabled him to go the route with the aggressive Canuck.

Johnny Busso, 143, made a tremendous hit with local fistic followers in stopping Tommy Elder, 140, of Cleveland in the seventh round. Busso lived up to all advance notices, and will certainly be welcomed back here by the fans.

Aldo Mente, 141, one of the favorites around these parts, stopped Dave Dupas, 140, of New Orleans in the eighth round. In the **four round curtain raiser, Manuel Gonzales,** 139, Odessa, beat Roland Manuel, 145, Lake Charles, in a close and interesting scrap.

▶ Corpus Christi, Texas, Lauro Gonzales, Promoter:—Leo Gonzales, 147, Robstown, hammered out a six round decision over Lupe Albarado, 152, Austin, in an exciting brawl. The main go saw Oscar Ortegon, 135, Robstown, remain undefeated, as he easily beat Jesse Gutierez, 135, San Antonio, in eight rounds. Dennis Woodbury, 152, San Antonio, got the nod over James "Gavilan" Ealey, 145, Austin, in an extremely close one, that went six rounds. Abe Gonzales, 134, Austin, stopped Epifano "Blackie" Maldonado, 139, Robstown, in two heats. Gino Tovar, 118, Corpus Christi, beat Mario Bueno, 120, Alice, in four fast rounds.

▶ San Antonio, Texas, Tony Padilla, Promoter:—Santiago Gutierrez, 165, San Antonio, stopped a willing but tiring John Victor Penn, 161, Houston, in the seventh round of the main event in the Alamo City. It was a wild brawl. Jesse Gutierrez, 138, San Antonio, and Ray Gonzales, 139, Houston, battled it out to a six round draw. Arthur "Hurricane" Jones, 169, Houston, stopped Margarito "Chico" Garcia, 163, Corpus Christi, in the third round. Ted Daley, 163, Houston, tko'd Frank "Gano" Anguiano, 167, Austin, in three action packed rounds. Lupe Albarado, 156, Austin, decisioned Ralph "Chief" Williams, 158, an Oklahoma Indian, in four fast rounds.

▶ Dallas, Texas, Lew Gray, Promoter:—Art Swiden, 192, Mickey Davies' big fellow, outfoxed Bobby Spaeth, 186, of Kansas to emerge victorious in ten rounds at Dallas. Swiden's win over Spaeth followed a victory over the Big D favorite, Buddy Turman.

Frank Lawson, 180, Ft. Worth, stopped Johnny Hollins, 200, Austin, in the sixth round. Henry Miramontes, 123, Dallas, beat Joe O'Toole, 128, San Antonio, in eight rounds. Eddie Brant, 149, the veteran Dayton, Ohio battler, was too much for A. J. "Concrete" McCoy, 157, Dallas, and had things pretty much his own way to win easily in six. Henry Watson, 137, Dallas, had to climb off the deck to beat Leroy "Buddy" Anderson, 137, Austin, in a fight that could have gone either way.

▶ Gathered around Texas:—Two fine prospects here are J. D. Laird, hard punching young featherweight from Houston's Denver Harbor section, and Jesse "Baby Face" Gonzales, another Houston 126 pounder.

One of the most colorful fighters in the State is Curt Woolwine, a Beaumont 145 pounder who now makes his home in Houston. He's a roughouse brawler. Irish Johnny McKoin is doing well. The Bastrop, La. kid is headed for Houston where he'll be under the watchful eye of Billy DeFoe. McKoin is a dynamic puncher.

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DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

TUCSON ACTION—In the only action in the state, Zora Folley, 195, ranking heavyweight, stopped Jimmy Wood, 199, in 1:15 of the second round at Tucson Sports Center. It was Zora's 33rd win in 35 fights and his 21st knockout. In three scheduled six rounders, Larry Melton, 175, Phoenix, was sensational in stopping Joe Valle, 185, Tucson, in 1:32 of third round; Manny Elias, 120, Chicago Golden Gloves runnerup, made his pro debut by stopping Henry Moore, 118, Phoenix, in the third; and Babe Ortiz, 136, Phoenix, decisioned Collier Cox, 130, Phoenix, in six.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

Approximately 1600 fans attended the Police Athletic League boxing program held at the American Legion Auditorium in Roanoke. The Roanoke star boxers scored an 8-0 victory, their 11th in succession, their victims being the Chatham and Washington Athletic clubs. The P.A.L. team is under the supervision of Detective Paul Vest and boxing coach Emmett Jacobs.

The 350th Jamestown Festival celebration, featuring an I.B.C. professional boxing card will be held in Norfolk. Chris Dundee, with the assistance of the I.B.C., will handle the matchmaking and promotion chores.

Your writer welcomes all Virginia boxing notes and results. Please have same at my address by the 22nd of each month. My address is: 7423 W. Kenmore Drive, Norfolk, Va.

BOXING IN THE CAROLINAS
By Chris Cline

Charlotte, N. C.:—Young Ray Lancaster, 135, Spartanburg, S. C., turned in the best win of his career when he punched his way to a unanimous ten round nod over Rocky Randall, 141, Rome, Ga., in a fast and hard fought battle. Ray took charge at the start and outfought Rocky all the way.

Neil Wallace, 210, Charlotte, returned to the ring after a long layoff and huffed and puffed his way to a four round kayo over inept John Macey, 187, Charlotte. Ex-amateur star Waban Thomas, 188, Charlotte, scored his second straight pro kayo when he halted Tommy Mayree, 186, Charlotte, in the fourth. Mickey Bishop, 139, Charlotte, outscored James Kelly, 146, Charlotte, in a good six rounder and Carl Chastin, 140, Gastonia, halted Bobby Spears, 140, Charlotte, in the fourth.

▶ Florence, S. C:—Ex-featherweight king Willie Pep, 132, Hartford, Conn., easily outboxed Manny Castro, 132, Mexico City, Mexico, in the featured ten rounder. Willie, out for a workout, took it easy and showed the fans a lot of his old form in toying with his willing foil. Joey (Go Go) White, 157, Durham, N. C., evened the score with Ben Singletary, 155, Florence, by winning the decision in their hard fought eight rounder. Go Go punched too often for his local foe and won going away. The rest of the card was made up of amateur bouts.

FROM THE CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION
By D. Mills

Professional boxing returned to the Federation, with a tournament held in Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia. In the main event, Empire lightweight champion Willie Toweel, Benoni, defeated Franco Rossini, Salisbury, over ten rounds. Rossini, a former contender for the Italian lightweight title, gave a game display. And the high-ranking Toweel had to be content with a close points decision.

South African heavyweight champion Johnny Arthur stopped Buddy Walker in three rounds. South African welterweight champion Evie Vorster halted Gerry Vosloo in less than a round. Joe Jeffries knocked out Wally Hellier in the sixth, and Abe Vorster was disqualified in the third against Jimmy Taylor.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

A rousing finish during which he turned on all the steam in his well conditioned body, earned Gaspar Ortega a split decision over Isaac Logart, the 8 to 5 favorite, in their 12-round welterweight elimination bout at the War Memorial. A crowd of 2-188 paid $5,709.35 to watch the go which was deserving of many times the attendance. The bout was televised locally as well as nationally.

Ortega, 147, to Logart's 146, showed no respect for Isaac's punch. He walked out in the first session and began shelling. Logart came right back but Gasper got in the cleaner licks. In the second fans got a thrill when Ortega nailed Logart flush on the jaw with a solid right hand shot. Isaac faltered. Ortega flashed a vicious two handed barrage. Logart was in trouble, but only momentarily. Ike drove a murderous right into Ortega's groin, the Mexican falling to the canvas in severe pain. Though he was helped to his feet by Referee Al Berl, Ortega appeared to be in pain as he kept Logart off with lefts and rights. It was a closely waged, hard fight. Logart had the faster hands but not the wallop packed by Ortega.

Referee Berl voted Ortega 7 rounds, 4 for Logart and one even. Judge Harold Barnes saw it for Ortega 6-5-1. Judge Joe Agnello liked Logart 7 rounds to 5.

In a four rounder Gus Fiacco, 154, of Massena, former Syracuse University boxer, scored his second straight triumph as a pro, defeating Mike Pinelli, 151, Buffalo. Jimmy DiMura, 130½, Syracuse, suffered some face cuts in a bout with Wally (Kid Chocolate) Livingston, 125, Trenton, but after a pep talk in his corner by Irv Robbins, Di Mura came out fighting in the fourth and blazed away with both hands to outpunch and outbox his foe for a six round win. George (Peppy) Kartalian, 180, Syracuse muscleman, gave away 37 pounds to Johnny Harper, 217, Steubenville, O. Harper, a good, all around ring mechanic walked off with the six round duke. Andy Figaro, 148, New York, stable-mate of Logart, eased out a six round decision over Wes Lowery, 158, Saginaw, Mich., in the first bout.

▶John DeJohn, Joe Netro, Champ Basilio, Joey Basilio and Leo Owens have returned from a tour of the mid-west. Basilio knocked out Harold (Baby Face) Jones of Detroit in the fourth round of a scheduled 10 round non-title match at Portland, Oregon. Referee Eddie Volk halted the bout after one minute and 56 seconds of the fourth stanza when Jones, unable to keep off Basilio's heavy punching attack was in a bad way. Basilio boxed three exhibition bouts on the tour.

LEFT-HOOKS—Sorry to learn our old friend, ex-Deputy Boxing Commissioner John B. Hodges passed away in Florida. . . . John served with the commission for 20 years and did a lot for upstate boxing during his regime. George Kartalian hops over to Toronto now and then to work with George Chuvalo, Canadian heavyweight star. . . . The boxers are warm personal friends and each helps the other condition for bouts. . . . Death of Johnny Kilbane brought forth a revival of the story concerning a riot which broke out at the old Arena here three decades ago when Kilbane was matched with a local ringster, Young Murphy. . . . Murphy was much too heavy for the feather king and Kilbane refused to go through with the match. . . . Fans smashed ticket offices and badly damaged the building when the affair was called off. . . . Danny Antonacci, owner of "Danny's Hideaway" here, has a library of Ring magazines and Ring Record Books behind the bar so he can answer any kind of question regarding boxing without delay. . . . Billy Shaw, Jr. just returned from a trip to San Francisco where he met many wrestling and boxing notables.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

Ray Apollo, Newark welterweight, is on a hard luck streak. In his Paterson fight with Bill Flamio he was stopped at the end of four rounds due to a cut left eye, after an even battle. The tough part was that Flamio was also cut, but the doctor looked at Ray first and ordered the fight stopped. Next time out in New York against Tony DeCola, Apollo appeared on his way to an easy decision when he again had the old cut reopened and was stopped again after four rounds.

▶Engineers' Hall, Newark—George Chimenti, 161, Brooklyn, N. Y., handed combacking Joe (Rocky) Tomasello, 164, Matawan, N. J. These two crowd pleasers fought toe to toe most of the way with George's harder hitting earning him the nod. One of the worse decisions seen in Jersey in a long time was that which gave Mike Perez, 132, Brooklyn, the nod over Jimmy McGinnis, 134, Newark, in the six round semi-final. Jimmy outboxed his game opponent in every round. In the opening four Frank Weisgerber, 168, New Milford, Pa., made in three for three by edging Gus Christie, 163, Springfield, Mass.

▶Armory, Paterson, N. J.:—Stefan Redl, 146, Passaic, N. J., stopped Al (Rocky) Milone, 151, Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1:38 of the sixth round of their return brawl. Stefan, who racked up his fourteenth straight win and his 11th kayo, was in command all the way, although rocked by Al's powerful rights.

Bill Flamio, 146, Bronx, N. Y., stopped Ray Apollo, 149, Newark, on a eye cut at the end of four. Two old war horses put on a good action sixer, with Phil Rizzo, 166, Brooklyn, shading Leroy Allen, 163, Paterson. Augie Turiano, 186, Brooklyn, a stiff puncher, took out Pat Walsh, 177½, Trenton, in the second; Bill Cephas, 147, Camden, halted Silby Ford, 146, Brooklyn, N. Y., in the second and Frank Petrikat, 134, East Paterson, won from Ben Boswell, 137, Philadelphia, Pa., in the opening four. A fine crowd of over 2,500 fans turned out for a good action packed show.

▶Stefan Redl, who followed up the Milone kayo by beating Frank Ippolito in New York City for win number fifteen, has been called into the Army. A member of the National Guard, Stefan who is anxious to become an American citizen volunteered to serve with the Army so that he would become an American that much sooner. George (Sugar) Costner, one time top welter and middleweight contender of the mid-Fourties, has a fine bar and grill in Newark which is the center for boxing fans of the hill sector.

BOXING IN BURMA
By U BA WA

For the first time after the war, a Professional Boxing Board of Control was formed in Burma to promote and encourge the sport. This Board, which is headed by Col. Khin Nyo, has the blessings of the Government through the National Fitness Council.

In its first professional boxing tournament, Burma's bantamweight, B. Thompson, 114½, lost to Thailand's Nai Sanong, 117½. The Thailander proved too good for the Burmese lad who was k'oed in the first round.

▶A week later Sanong, 122½, stopped Burma Navy's K. Black, 125¾, in another fight in round 2.

▶In the third professional show, the Thailander, Nai Sanong, 121¼, stopped Mg Mg Kyin, 120, in only 30 seconds of the first round, while another lightweight contender from Thailand, Chatchai, 128½, stopped Burma's Dunsford, 115, in the first round.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

When Archie Moore stopped Alain Cherville in Stuttgart, less than half of the arena which seats 10,000 was occupied. Quite a comedown from what had been expected. The towel was tossed into the ring in the sixth round to save Alian from further punishment. It was a one-sided bout.

▶Berlin—Next to Duillio Loi, the Italian EBU champion, German Gustav Scholz has the best record in Europe. He remained undefeated in his sixty-third contest when he stopped Kid Gamero of Spain in the third round.

Flyweight Edgar Basel of Germany won on points in four over Mohammed Budji of France.

Gunter Hase of Berlin, welter champion, substituted for the injured Peter Muller and outpointed Michel Mason of France in eight rounds. Heinz Borzoskowski of Dusseldorf, a middleweight, won in six over Gerhard Moll—of Bruanschweig. Dieter Wemhoner of Berlin, middleweight, won in six from Gerard van Eijk of Holland. Heinz Sattler of Berlin, middleweight, drew in six with Tommy Baas of Holland and Herbert Soodman, Essen, stopped Kid Belfort of Holland in six.

▶Cologne—In the open air ice rink, 6,000 fans saw Max Resch of Hamburg, middleweight, halt Bruce Damphier of U.S. in eight rounds. Hector Michelutti of France, lightweight, lost to Karlheinz Rauen, Essen, in six. Jean Baldackine, France, lost in four to Manfred Hass, Masburg. Lazslo Papp, Hungary, three time Olympic champion, in his first pro battle, won on points in four over Aloys Brand of Essen.

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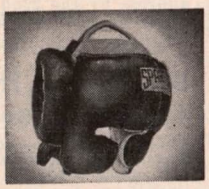

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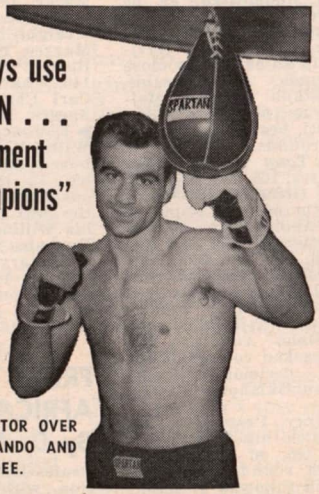

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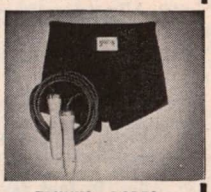

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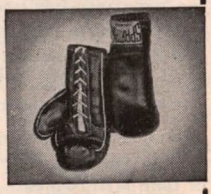

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Burke Emery, 166½, Sherbrooke, Quebec, made his New England debut by taking an eight round decision over hard-hitting Bobby King, 172, Everett, in the feature bout. Emery was ringwise enough to earn the verdict in a pleasing fight.

Jackson Brown, 152, Dorchester, racked up a technical knockout win over Cisco Halley, 150, Providence, in the seventh round. Bobby Soares, 128½, Providence, halted his fellow-townsman, Bobby Elm, 125, in the second round. Southpaw Dick Hall, 155, Boston, racked up another impressive win by taking a six round decision over Wally Henderson, 154½, Jersey City, N. J. Paul Leri, 149, Pawtucket, blasted Henry Silva, 150, Roxbury, to win on a second round kayo.

▶ REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Elevated to a main event after five pro victories, Dick Hall, Boston and formerly of Buffalo, made use of the situation to halt veteran Sammy Walker, 158¾, Springfield, in the sixth round. The 18 year old Hall weighed 156½. Walker was dropped in the second and fourth rounds and was bleeding badly from a mouth cut when Referee Danny Sears called a halt.

Danny Jones, 151½, Brooklyn, upset promising Mickey Dwyer, 150, Dorchester, in the eight round co-feature. Bob Berdahl, 153, Roxbury, unloaded one of his power-packed punches to kayo Charles Carle, 157¾, Roxbury, in the first round. Robert Ross, 140¾, Brooklyn, copped the duke in a four rounder from Al Duarte, 139½, New Bedford. Lee Williams, 155, Boston, decisioned Gunboat Steeves, 150, Auburn, Me.

▶ LOWELL—Rex Arena—Billy Ryan, 168, Lowell, now a protege of Rocky Marciano's, scored a quick kayo in 1:43 of the first round over Joe Greene, 165, Brooklyn. Ryan scored three knockdowns before planting Greene for the full count.

Eddie Andrews, 153, Lowell, proved too busy and ringwise for Young Joe Walcott, 153, Bridgeport, who tried hard and forced Andrews for the full eight rounds.

Jimmy Kelly, 135, Lowell, repeated a decision this time over the six round route over Mike Perez, 131, Brooklyn. Art Ryan 144, Tyngsboro, turned pro with an impressive win over Gunboat Steeves, 149, Auburn, in four heats. Milton Diaz, 124, Boston, stopped Dom DeBarros, 128, Boston, in the first round.

▶ FORT FAIRFIELD—Armory—Dave Grant, 158, Boston, scored his second win over Babe McCarron, 157, Presque Isle AFB, this time by a close eight round decision in the feature bout. It was a slugging match that pleased the turnout of 800 fans. There were no knockdowns.

Earl Matthews, 141, Boston, decisioned Jarrel Pate, 140, Caribou, in the six round semi-final. Joe Berunco, 136, Loring AFB, turned back Johnny Johnikin, 131, Boston, in another six rounder. Benny French, 155, Loring stopped Tommy Smith, 150, also of Loring AFB, in the first round of the bout that opened the show.

▶ REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Tony Veranis, 146½, Dorchester, turned in his most important win to date when he won a close eight round decision over Joey Klein, 151¼, New York. It was the 18 year old Veranis' 16th consecutive win. Veranis set the pace in a furious last round to garner the unanimous decision.

Bob Berdahl, 152½, Roxbury, needed four rounds to dispose of Danny Jones, 151¾, Brooklyn, and to keep his winning streak going. Bobby Soares, 128¼, Providence, halted Richie Graham, 129, Roxbury in the final round of a sixer. Paul Leri, 149¼, Pawtucket, whipped veteran Al Duarte, 142, New Bedford, in a four spot. In the opening four spot, Ray Drayton, 162, Roxbury, outpointed Wilbur Washington, 160¾, Brooklyn.

▶ LOWELL—Rex Arena—Billy Ryan, 168, Lowell, smashed a right to the jaw of Jimmy Bills, 173, Chicago, to win on a first round kayo. It was Ryan's eighth straight win, seven of which have been one round kayoes.

Jimmy Kelly, 135, Lowell, decisioned Bobby Soares, 130, Providence, in the six round semi-windup. Jimmy Sullivan, 143, Boston, outscored Al Duarte, 145¼, New Bedford, over the six round route. Art Ryan, 145, Tyngsboro, belted out Chick Jones, 141, Boston, in the second round. Milton Diaz, 124, Boston, stopped Chris Alexander, 128, Revere, in the third round.

▶ REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Dick Hall, 162½, Boston, was extended for eight rounds by Andre Gonzales, 160, Cuba in the feature. The 18 year old Hall held the upperhold all thru the fight over his tough, durable foe.

Jackson Brown, 153, Boston, scored a surprise knockout over Young Joe Walcott, 148½, Bridgeport, Conn., in the fifth round. Dom Prestone, 147, Malden, needed little effort to halt Herbie Fripp, 153, Bridgeport, in the second round. Sonny Boykin, 160, South Norwalk, Conn., and formerly stationed at Westover AFB, scored a clean kayo over Lee Williams, 165½, Boston, in the second round.

▶ BOSTON—Garden—Tony DeMarco, 147½, Boston, had to be content with a split ten round decision over upsetter Walter Byars, 143, also of Boston. Both fighters opened the bout with caution which was not thrown to the winds until the third round. In the slugging battle that followed Byars had the upperhand. DeMarco shifted his attack to the body and slowed Byars. A crowd of 8305 paid a gross of $38,502 to see the battle between the Bostonians. Byars' New England welterweight title was not at stake.

Sal Cantino, 165, Boston, found Roy Belsito, 171, Worcester, with enough hard punches to stop him in the fourth round. Billy Priest, 155, Cambridge, remained undefeated by whipping Walter Holman, 150½, Boston, in six rounds. Rico Sacramone, 134½, Everett, decisioned Johnny Johnikin, 131½, Boston, in another sixer. Joe DeNucci, 161, Newton, knocked out Joe Warren, 167, New York, in the first round.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

Hartford: Promoter Johnny Cesario's second fistic offering in a month should convince him that Hartford's Billy Lynch, 146, cannot, for some unexplainable reason, draw the fans, in his own home town. Lynch, whom we regard as one of the country's five leading welterweights, with a record of 32 wins in 35 professional starts, scored a shut-out against Calvin Smith, 146, veteran Philadelphia welter, in the feature of 10 rounds. He won every round on referee Red Moffett's card. Short and stocky, Smith, was a hard punching, aggressive tough opponent, but Lynch's speed and footwork had Smith missing badly all night. Only 577 fans paid to see the contest which drew a gross gate of $1,092. The rest of the show was made up of semi-pro bouts.

▶ The recently concluded Semi-pro Boxing Tournament proved very successful in bringing out many new faces to the Connecticut boxing scene. Six State Champions in the various divisions were crowned.

▶ Another Guild banquet, their ninth Annual, was another highly successful affair. Father Robert G. Keating, Chesire Reformatory and Meriden State School for Boys Chaplain, was the Guest of Honor and receipient of this year's, "Connecticut Boxing Man of the Year" award.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY
By Kenneth (Duke) Stigner

Atlas Sports Enterprises, Frank Siva promoting, came up with a fine boxing show in their second attempt to revive boxing locally, had veteran Charlie Norkus, the Polish bomber from Port Washington, N. Y., on top with Bob O'Brien, Elizabeth, N. J. Norkus started O'Brien's downfall in the second round when he opened a gash over his opponent's left eye. When blood again gushed from O'Brien's cut in the fourth round, Referee Manny Gleb halted the bout. The time was 2:45.

In outclassing his younger foe, Norkus concentrated on bruising in-fighting. His most potent weapon was short inside uppercuts. O'Brien held his own with the veteran up until the time he suffered the cut, which seemed to bother him badly. Norkus weighed 195, O'Brien, 195½.

Two local boys, Jackie Castellani, from nearby Blakely, and Billy Palumbo, Fleetville, registered victories. Palumbo has been away from the ring wars for some time. Castellani, 135, registered his third "home" victory by scoring a fifth round TKO over Richy Montell, 140½, New York City. Montell had been dropped to one knee in the fourth round, by a left hook to the stomach. Montell indicated the blow was low, the referee, permitted the New Yorker a rest, but when Montell failed to come out for the fifth heat, Castellani was awarded a TKO.

Billy Palumbo experienced as much difficulty with his slipper shoes as he did with his opponent, but after a couple of rounds came on to win a split decision over Nino Malava, 138, Havana, Cuba. Billy came in at 137.

In another six, Carl Caporale, 145, Pittston won an unanimous decision over Warren McIntosh, 144, New York City. Joe Thomas, 182, Elizabeth, N. J., copped a decision from Al Anderson, 177½, Jamaica, L. I.

The best bout of the evening was a four-rounder bringing together Tommy Holmes, 145, Binghamton and Billy Paul, 144, New York. Holmes scored a unanimous decision over his opponent in a clinch-free rowdy brawl. It was Holme's first start as pro after a successful amateur career.

Tony Canzoneri, former lightweight champion, refereed some of the bouts, Pete Susky and Manny Gled finished the chores.

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RING NEWS FROM FAR-OFF NEW ZEALAND

By Brian F. O'Brien

The time-worn but nonetheless true ring axiom about the man with the punch always having a chance in boxing rarely can have been more suitably illustrated than when nuggetty, 5 ft. 5 in. Samoan southpaw, TUNA SCANLAN, tangled with tall, fast and clever fistic scientist BILLY BEAZLEY (Wellington) at Wellington.

Some months earlier, Beazley, although knocked down in the second round, had given the raw but rugged Pacific Islander a thorough going-over in their first meeting, and it looked like a repeat performance in the return, but this time, Beazley was knocked out in the eighth.

This was Beazley's first defeat in New Zealand since his successful comeback began in 1954.

▶Further north in Auckland, a compatriot of Scanlan's struck another blow for Samoa by similarly coming from behind to snatch a sensational victory out of the jaws of defeat. Johnny Iefata, strongly-built Western Samoan light-heavy, was trailing on points in the face of a stream of light but points-scoring-jabs from Fijian soldier Mike Ravula when he brought over the "big punch" and down went Mike for the count.

▶One Samoan from among the many doing so well in the Dominion who had a black day was Auckland's Sonny Samu. Looking little fitter than he had done in his bout against Sairusi Kidia at Auckland some weeks earlier, when Samu, trailing on points, won on a foul, Samu was knocked out in five rounds by itinerant Australian welter weight Young Stewart.

▶Barney Shaw may be the nominal welterweight boxing champion of New Zealand, but few will attempt to claim that Barney is anything like the best welter in the country. Only seven days after erstwhile British Empire 147 pound champion Barry Brown had knocked him out in seven rounds at Lower Hutt, Barney fell to Mike Hannah in five at Hastings.

▶Featherweight champion Billy Leckie made his usual slow start against Spanish-Australian Tony Galarcho at Dunedin, but after six rounds his accurate, methodical body attack had dampened the visitor's ardour and compelled him to lower his guard to protect the areas receiving the pounding. Leckie did the obvious, switched to the head, and in the eighth round dumped Galarcho on the canvas for the long count.

▶Another crowd-pleasing bill at Dunedin saw 17-year-old Ian Mitchell (Hutt Valley), make a useful professional bow by losing narrowly on points to taller, undefeated Morrie Homan (Dunedin).

▶Johnny Cooper, a useful Australian importation, must have gone close to souring Mervyn McMillan on pro boxing when he lashed the ex-amateur light-welter champion into a severe six-round defeat at Invercargill. A bad case of mismatching.

▶Samoan-born, New Zealand-domiciled Tau Leota, burly Pororua railway fireman, hopped off to a successful start as a pro—he had won the national amateur light-heavy title a few years ago—by beating Englishman Dick Diamond on a five-round disqualification at Lunedin.

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES

By Felipe J. C. Galang

Leo Espinosa, Oriental bantam champion and Philippine featherweight titlist at 121 lbs., successfully defended his Philippine crown by beating Saburo Otaki, 125, bantamweight champion of Japan, in 12 rounds at the Coliseum. It was onesided match throughout with Leo the master in all angles. He outmanuevered, outpunched and outgeneralled the Japanese in the full 12 rounds.

Al Asuncion, 118, badly outpointed Masakasu Otsuka, 120, of Japan in 10 round supporting main event. The body punches of the Filipino had taken the toll of Otsuka, who weakened in the last stanzas.

Villeza Villar, 118, won over another Japanese Mutsuo, Iida, 122, in 10 round onesided match. Cris Miranda, 119, and Bert Gonzales, 118, drew in another 10 rounder.

Baby Ross, 113, halted Leo Makalintal, 113, in the very 1st round. Small Dave, 112, defeated Tony Cabrera, 112, in 6 rounds. Young Cading, 120, bested Baby Al Capone, 125, in 6. San Juan Boy, 116, decisioned Little John, 115, in 4 rounds.

▶Young Aquino, 114, badly outpointed Blackie Robinson, 111, in 10 round main event in Cabanatuan City. Small Genio, 116, drew with Danny Brown, 115, of Manila in 8. Boy Domingo, 112, halted Little Gaspas, 111, in 3rd.

▶James Hardman Jr., 118, drew with Villeza Villar, 118, after receiving a cut in the 4th round of a scheduled 8 round bout. It was declared a technical draw. Lucky Marcelo, 127, drew with Terry Blanker, 130, in 6. Naven Kid, 114, kayoed Zac Monato, 116, in the 4th round. Kid Aske, 115, halted Udy Miranda, 114, in the 2nd round.

▶Golden Boy, 116, defeated Viva Zapata, 112, in 8 rounds in Camiling, Tarlac. Young Carding, 116, drew with Snoman Kid, 120, in 8. Kid Bustamante, 115, kayoed Emil dela Cruz, 111, in 3. Little Ross, 105, kayoed Mar Flores, 115, in the 3rd. Baby Hernandez, 111, knocked out Visayan Kid, 105, in 3.

▶Cesar Reyes, 120, stopped Vic Angeles, 122, in the 2nd round in Binangonan, Rizal. Kid Johnson, 127, halted Young Eleno, 130, in 4. Boy Lerma, 149, kayoed Marcy Cruz, 144, in the 3rd round. Young Coling, 120, knocked out Villa Cruz, 126, in 6. Rocky Romeo, 131, defeated Oriental Flash, 134, in 4.

▶Primo Corpus, 128, drew with Oscar Guban, 130, in 8 rounds in Camiling, Tarlac. Gil Flores, 124, defeated Gene Aragon, 122, in 8. Leo Macalintal, 109, kayoed Facoma Kid, 100, in 3. Kid Samar, 125, kayoed Tony Noble, 127, in 4. Jose Calibasa, 120, drew with Batt. Roland, 122, in 4.

▶Ben Ferrer, 128, bested Leo Ricardo, 130, in 8 rounds in San Fernando, La Union. Tiger Willie, 118, kayoed Eric Medroso, 121, in 3. Ray Gerdan, 120, bested Ray Von Emil, 120, in 6. Stots Kid, 101, halted Fidel Feliciano, 110, in 3.

▶House Bill No. 6175 recently passed both Houses of the Philippine Congress and became a law when President Carlos P. Garcia affixed his signature in the middle of June. This new law provides that all world championships in the Philippines in which a Filipino is one of the protagonists and promoted by an American or a Filipino is totally exempted from all taxes. Congressman Serafin Salvador is the father of the new law.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS

By Chester Norton

PROFESSIONAL BOXING RETURNED TO VANCOUVER after a long layoff. Eddie Cotton, Seattle, 167, proved he had not lost any of his ability and came through with a good performance in polishing off Al Hogan, Montreal, 181, at 2.32 of the fifth round. Cotton eased his way through the first four rounds, carving up his opponent with an educated left hand before unloading the heavy artillery in the fifth. Hogan was down for nine and was cut under one eye before the referee halted the unequal contest.

John Higgins, Detroit, 177, flattened Dave Roy, Vancouver, 194, with a body blow in the 1st round.

J. C. Johnson, Seattle, 160, proved his superiority over Irish Jimmy McCoy, Chicago, 150, via an easy K.O. at 2.35 of the second. Johnny Creanza, Vancouver, 123, won a four round decision from John Ramos, San Antonio, 122. Walt Dowhal, Vancouver, 172, making his professional debut, stopped Count Clayton, Seattle, 164, in the first round.

CANADIAN TOPICS

By Lawson Bampton

YVON DURELLE, 174, of Baie Ste. Anne, New Brunswick, retained his Canadian light-heavy crown with a sensational two-round knockout victory over Gordon Wallace, 166, of Brantford, Ontario, British Empire titlist, at Moncton, N. B. The gate of a little over $10,000 was a record for that sector. The quick outcome was a surprise. Durelle stalked Wallace from the start. He floored Wallace early in the second stanza for a seven-count, then blasted him with more than a dozen wallops before finishing him off at 2:17 with a lethal right uppercut. It was the fourth time the N.B. fisherman had whipped Wallace, the three others by decisions. It was not a title bout.

In another scheduled 12-rounder Lloyd Gordon, 103, Saint John, N.B., Ko'd Gaston Bisson, 106, Quebec City, in 1.35 of the first round to win the vacant Canadian flyweight title. It was a big night for the jubilant N.B. fans who thronged in from all nearby points for the smartly promoted event.

▶Eddie Quinn, Montreal promoter, isn't letting the grass grow under his feet after promoting the Cherif Hamia-Bobby Bell bout, the first major event in nearly four years in the Canadian Metropolis. He is preparing a number of top cards.

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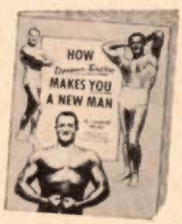
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